

2011 ANNUAL REPORT



ACUSHNET, MASSACHUSETTS

TOWN RECORDS AND REPORTS

of the

TOWN OF ACUSHNET

MASSACHUSETTS



For the

Year Ending December 31, 2011

A Special Thanks to the Seniors in Office Administration, Ms Soucy and Kathy Peterson from Old Colony with help on this book!

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Fire Department (Emergency)	9-1-1
Fire Department (Business)	508-998-0250
Police Department (Emergency)	9-1-1
Police Department (Business)	508-998-0240
Acushnet Emergency Medical Service (Ambulance) ...	9-1-1
Acushnet Emergency Medical Service (Business)	508-998-0235

TOWN SERVICES

Animal Control Officer	508-998-9040
Assessors	508-998-0205
Building Department	508-998-0225
Board of Public Works, Water/Sewer Department	508-998-0230
Cemetery Department	508-995-0052
Conservation Commission	508-998-0202
Council on Aging	508-998-0280
Director of Finance	508-998-0220
Emergency Management Agency (Civil Defense)	508-998-0295
Gas Inspector	508-998-0225
Health Board	508-998-0275
Park Department	508-998-0285
Planning Board	508-996-6662
Plumbing Inspector	508-998-0225
Russell Memorial Library	508-998-0270
School Business Manager	508-998-0261
Selectmen	508-998-0200
Superintendent of Schools	508-998-0260
Town Collector	508-998-0210
Town Clerk	508-998-0215
Town Treasurer	508-998-0212
Tree Warden	508-998-0230
Veteran's Services	508-998-0207
Visiting Nurse	508-998-0275
Wire Department	508-998-0225

WEB SITE ADDRESS

www.acushnet.ma.us

**In Memoriam
2011**

Wilfred R. Babineau
School Department Custodian
Date of Death – January 2, 2011

Norman J. Choquette
School Department Maintenance Supervisor
Date of Death – February 9, 2011

Peter C. Ten Eyck
Old Colony Regional Technical High School Teacher – Retired
Date of Death – May 6, 2011

Jeannette F. Pepin
Council on Aging Site Manager
Election Inspector
Date of Death – June 26, 2011

TOWN OFFICERS 2011

Town Clerk

Pamela A. Labonte

Term Expires 2014

Board of Selectmen

Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Chairman

Term Expires 2012

David E. Wojnar

Term Expires 2013

Leslie Dakin, Jr.

Term Expires 2014

Board of Assessors

Matthew D. Lopes, Chairman

Term Expires 2012

Liberio D. Soares

Term Expires 2013

Marc F. Cenerizio

Term Expires 2014

Board of Health

David M. Davignon, Chairman

Term Expires 2012

Thomas J. Fortin

Term Expires 2013

Robert Medeiros

Term Expires 2014

School Committee

Douglas M. Coray, Chairman

Term Expires 2013

John C. Howcroft

Term Expires 2012

Michelle D. DeTerra

Term Expires 2013

David M. DeTerra

Term Expires 2014

Francis R. Kuthan

Term Expires 2014

Commissioner of Trust Funds

Kevin S. Madruga

Term Expires 2012

Marc E. Laplante

Term Expires 2013

Leo Rousseau

Term Expires 2014

Trustees of Free Public Library

Kristen E. Leotti, Chairwoman

Term Expires 2013

JoAnn Bertrand

Term Expires 2012

Jean S. Stripinis

Term Expires 2012

Simonne Coutinho

(Appointed 7/13/2011)

Term Expires 2012

Robert J. Bartolome

Term Expires 2013

Henry T. Preston

Term Expires 2014

Cemetery Board

Paul H. Fortin, Chairman	Term Expires 2012
Charlene Fortin	Term Expires 2013
Joanne K. Cioper	Term Expires 2014

Park Commissioners

Michael L. Desrosiers, Chairman	Term Expires 2013
Wayne B. Richmond	Term Expires 2012
James S. Madruga, Jr.	Term Expires 2014

Housing Authority

James S. Madruga, Jr., Chairman	Term Expires 2014
Lawrence P. Mulvey	Term Expires 2012
Richard Threlfall - State Appointed	Term Expires 2013
Lawrence G. Marshall	Term Expires 2015
Rene Racine	Term Expires 2016

Planning Board

Marc F. Cenerizio, Chairman	Term Expires 2012
Richard P. Forand	Term Expires 2013
Leo N. Coons, Jr.	Term Expires 2014
Richard H. Ellis	Term Expires 2015
Mark M. DeSilva, Sr.	Term Expires 2016

Moderator

Robert E. Francis	Term Expires 2014
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Tree Warden

Raymond F. Barlow	Term Expires 2014
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Board of Public Works

Jeffrey D. Schuster, Chairman	Term Expires 2012
Douglas Pinard	Term Expires 2012
Steven R. Boucher	Term Expires 2013
Dustin T. Cormier	Term Expires 2014
Darrin Pinto	Term Expires 2014

**Town Oaths Administrated by Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk
“2011”**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Date of Election, Appointment, or Resignation</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>	<u>Date Sworn In</u>
John Abaray, Jr.	Golf Management & Operational Comm. (Member at Large)	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/16/11
Philip Adams	Police Dept.	Appt. 2/01/11	---	3/16/11
Kerrie Almeida	Tilcon Capaldi PJ Keating Weigher	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	4/28/11
Michael Alves	Public Building Safety Committee	Appt. 9/12/11	Upon Completion	9/22/11
Michael Alves	Safety Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	4/28/11
Michael Alves	Street Naming Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	4/28/11
Al Amaral	Library/Community Center Feasibility Study Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	4/28/11
Andre Arsenault	Community Preservation Committee	Appt. 8/08/11	5/01/12	8/15/11
Catherine Audette	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/04/11
Raymond Barlow	Tree Warden	Elected 4/04/11	4/07/14	4/07/11
Louise Benoit	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/04/11
Gerald Bergeron	Council on Aging	Appt. 2/14/11	5/01/14	2/15/11
Gerald Bergeron	EMA Director	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/12/11
Gloria Bernier	Election Inspector	Resigned 4/13/11	5/01/11	5/11/09
Irene Bouchard	Council on Aging	Appt. 7/26/10	5/01/13	---
Evelyn Bouley	Conservation Commission	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/14	5/20/11
Evelyn Bouley	Old Colony Reg. Voke Tech. School Committee (Acushnet Rep)	Appt. 6/06/11	4/30/13	6/07/11

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Connie Carr	Beautification Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/04/11
Lucia Casey	Housing Partnership Committee	Appt. 9/12/11	5/01/12	10/12/11
Lucia Casey	Housing Partnership Committee	Resigned 12/23/11	5/01/12	10/12/11
Marc Cenerizio	Board of Assessors	Elected 4/04/11	4/07/14	5/02/11
Marc Cenerizio	Community Preservation Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/14	5/02/11
Marc Cenerizio	Open Space Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/13	5/02/11
Marc Cenerizio	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/02/11
Marc Cenerizio	Soil Conservation Board	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/02/11
Carol Charbonneau	Beautification Committee	Appt. 3/09/11	5/01/11	3/14/11
Joanne Cioper	Cemetery Board	Elected 4/04/11	4/07/14	4/20/11
Ted Cioper	Conservation Commission	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/14	5/12/11
Lillian Contois	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/25/11	5/1/12	5/6/11
Leo Coons	Old Colony Reg. Voke Tech. School Committee (Acushnet Rep)	Appt. 4/25/11	4/30/14	5/17/11
Dustin Cormier	Board of Public Works	Elected 4/04/11	4/07/14	4/25/11
Ronald Cormier	Veteran’s Agent	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/01/11
Jenny Correira	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	7/06/11
Joseph Costa	Asst. Herring Warden	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/13	5/09/11
Alan Coutinho	Alternative Energy Committee	Appt. 5/10/10	5/01/11	4/05/11

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Alan Coutinho	Alternative Energy Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	9/22/11
Alan Coutinho	Parking Clerk	Appt. 5/10/10	5/01/11	4/05/11
Alan Coutinho	Parking Clerk	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	9/22/11
Alan Coutinho	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 5/11/09	5/01/11	4/05/11
Alan Coutinho	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/1/12	9/22/11
Alan Coutinho	Public Building Safety Committee	Appt. 9/12/11	Upon Completion	9/22/11
Alan Coutinho	Safety Committee	Appt. 5/11/09	5/01/10	4/05/11
Alan Coutinho	Safety Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	9/22/11
Charlotte Coutinho	Beautification Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/04/11
Simonne Coutinho	Election Warden	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	7/26/11
Simonne Coutinho	Trustee of the Free Pulic Library	Appt. 7/13/11	4/02/12	7/26/11
Dianna Couto	Cultural Council	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/14	5/04/11
Dianna Couto	Election Warden	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/04/11
Kevin Dakin	Board of Appeals (Alternate)	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/03/11
Leslie Dakin, Jr.	Board of Selectmen	Elected 4/04/11	4/07/14	4/05/11
Leslie Dakin, Jr.	By-Law Review Committee (BOS Designee)	Appt. 4/12/10	5/01/11	4/05/11
Leslie Dakin, Jr.	By-Law Review Committee (BOS Designee)	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	8/12/11
Leslie Dakin, Jr.	Soil Conservation Board (BOS)	Appt. 5/10/10	5/01/11	4/05/11
Leslie Dakin, Jr.	Soil Conservation Board (BOS)	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	8/12/11

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Leslie Dakin. Jr.	SRTA Representative	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	9/14/11
Walter Dalton	Cultural Council	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/14	5/05/11
Thomas DeCosta	Community Preservation Committee	Resigned 7/29/11	5/01/11	4/28/08
Thomas DeCosta	Deputy Wire Inspector	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/06/11
Thomas DeCosta	Public Building Safety Committee	Appt. 9/12/11	Upon Completion	9/20/11
Irene Decotis	Registrar of Voters	Appt. 5/25/11	5/01/14	5/12/11
Antone DeMello	Tilcon Capaldi PJ Keating Weigher	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	4/28/11
Mark DeSilva, Sr.	Planning Commission	Elected 4/04/11	4/06/15	9/23/11
Michael Desrosiers	Community Preservation Committee (Park Commission)	Appt. 8/05/11	5/01/12	8/14/11
David DeTerra	Acushnet School Committee	Elected 4/04/11	4/07/14	5/23/11
Suzanne DeTerra	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/13/11
Jeanne Duggan	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/04/11
Linda Enos	Acushnet Rep. Old Colony	Resigned 5/09/11	4/30/13	4/27/10
Thomas Farland	Ins. Advisory Comm. (Fire)	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	---
Diane Ferreira	Election Clerk	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/06/11
Robert Ferreira	Golf Management & Operational Committee (Finance Comm.)	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/04/11

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Sarah Fitzgerald	Tilcon Capaldi PJ Keating Weigher	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	4/28/11
David Flynn	Golf Management & Operational Comm. (Member at Large)	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/09/11
Jeremy Fontes	Insurance Advisory Committee	Appt. 6/06/11	5/01/12	9/14/11
Jeremy Fontes	Public Building Safety Committee	Appt. 9/12/11	Upon Completion	9/14/11
Donna Forand	Beautification Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/02/11
Donna Forand	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/02/11
Donna Forand	Library/Community Center Feasibility Study Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/02/11
Lee Forand	Election Clerk	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	8/05/11
Paul Fortin	Ins. Advisory Committee – DPW	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/11/11
Joanne Fournier	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/01/11
Nancy Francis	Library/Community Center Feasibility Study Committee	Appt. 5/10/10	5/01/11	5/03/11
Robert Francis	Town Moderator	Elected 4/04/11	4/07/14	4/05/11
Geraldine Frates	Community Preservation Committee	Appt. 4/26/10	5/01/14	---
Kevin Gallagher	Forest Warden	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/20/11
Kevin Gallagher	Inspector of Garages	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/20/11
Kevin Gallagher	Safety Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/20/11
Kevin Gallagher	Street Naming Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/20/11

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Kevin Gaspar	Public Building Safety Committee	Appt. 9/12/11	Upon Completion	9/22/11
Lorraine Gentile	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	6/20/11
Dorothy Gomes	Election Clerk	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/04/11
Jack Gomes	Finance Committee	Appt. 8/08/11	5/01/13	9/12/11
Manuel Goulart	Golf Management & Operational Comm. (Business Comm.)	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/24/11
Theodore Govoni	Herring Warden	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/13	---
Russell Goyette	Finance Committee	Resigned 4/13/11	5/01/13	7/13/10
Marie Hardy	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/04/11
Florence Hathaway	Beautification Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/04/11
John Howcroft	Acushnet School Committee	Elected 4/04/11	4/02/12	4/12/11
John Howcroft	By-Law Review Committee (Alt)	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	---
Paulette Hudson	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/18/11
Ed Isaac	Golf Management & Operational Comm. (Member at Large)	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/16/11
Merilee Kelly	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	8/12/11
Merilee Kelly	Soil Conservation Board	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	12/2/11
Karen Knox	Community Preservation Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/14	8/15/11
Francis Kuthan	Acushnet School Committee	Elected 4/04/11	4/07/14	4/06/11

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Pamela Labonte	Town Clerk	Elected 4/04/11	4/07/14	4/04/11
Ryan Lavoie	Police Dept.	Appt. 4/25/11	---	7/13/11
Rick Leaver	Tilcon Capaldi PJ Keating Weigher	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	4/28/11
Raymond Leblanc	Building Board of Appeals	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/16	5/13/11
Raymond Leblanc	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/13/11
Katherine Lena	Tilcon Capaldi PJ Keating Weigher	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	4/28/11
Charles Leonard	Board of Appeals (Alternate)	Appt. 2/14/11	5/01/11	2/28/11
Charles Leonard	Board of Appeals (Alternate)	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	---
Charles Leonard	By-Law Review Committee (Alternate)	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	---
Lisa Leonard	Cultural Council	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/14	---
Kristen Leotti	Library/Community Center Feasibility Study Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/26/11
Theodore Machado	Sealer of Weights & Measures	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	---
James Marot	Alternative Energy Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	8/12/11
James Marot	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	8/12/11
James Marot	Enforcement Agent for (BOS)	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	8/12/11
James Marot	Library/Community Center Feasibility Study Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	8/12/11
James Marot	Portable Sign Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	8/12/11

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James Marot	Public Building Safety Committee	Appt. 9/12/11	Upon Completion	9/21/11
James Marot	Safety Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	8/12/11
Mary Lou Marques	Finance Committee	Appt. 6/06/11	5/01/14	6/13/11
James Madruga, Sr.	Park Commissioner	Elected 4/04/11	4/07/14	5/04/11
Lawrence Marshall	Board of Appeals	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/16	5/02/11
Eric McGlynn	Finance Committee	Appt. 9/26/11	5/01/14	10/06/11
Robert Medeiros	Board of Health	Elected 4/04/11	4/07/14	4/05/11
Robert Medeiros	Shellfish Warden/Harbor Master	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/03/11
Robert Medeiros	Soil Conservation Board (BOH)	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/03/11
Dan Menard	Moth Superintendent Inspector of Pest Control	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/04/11
Dan Menard	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/04/11
Katherine Milligan	Tax Title Custodian	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	10/05/11
Catherine Mindlin	Animal Control Officer/Inspector	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/20/11
Maria Moore	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/19/11
Margaret Mota	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/09/11
Lawrence Mulvey	Community Preservation Comm. (Housing Authority)	Appt. 5/11/09	5/01/13	9/13/11
Mike Oliveira	Tilcon Capaldi PJ Keating Weigher	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	4/28/11

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Maria Otocky	Ins. Advisory Comm. (Retiree Designee)	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/31/11
Paul Pelletier	Finance Committee	Appt. 6/06/11	5/01/14	6/14/11
Paul Pelletier	Finance Committee	Resigned 12/15/11	5/01/14	6/14/11
Victor Pereira	Deputy Wire Inspector	Appt. 5/09/11	5/01/12	5/13/11
Mark Phaneuf	Historical Commission	Resigned 4/25/11	5/01/11	7/24/08
Faye Philla	Election Warden	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/04/11
Sue Picard	Insurance Advisory Committee E-Board	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	8/05/11
Steven Pina	Deputy Building Inspector	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/12/11
Darrin Pinto	Board of Public Works	Elected 4/04/11	4/07/14	4/08/11
Constance Preston	Beautification Committee	Resigned 4/14/11	5/01/11	5/11/09
Henry Preston	Library/Community Center Feasibility Study Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/10/11
Henry Preston	Trustees of Free Public Library	Elected 4/04/11	4/07/14	4/11/11
Rene Racine	Housing Authority	Elected 4/04/11	4/04/16	4/05/11
Joyce Reynolds	Beautification Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/23/11
Robert Rocha	Conservation Commission	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/14	5/26/11
Robert Rocha	Open Space Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/13	5/26/11
Leo Rousseau	Commissioner of Trust Funds	Elected 4/04/11	4/07/14	4/05/11

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John Roy	Alternative Energy Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/13/11
John Roy	Ins. Advisory Comm. (Teacher’s Union)	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/23/11
Robert St. Jean	Finance Committee	Appt. 6/14/10	5/01/13	6/21/10
Robert St. Jean	Public Building Safety Committee	Appt. 9/26/11	Upon Completion	10/17/11
Priscilla Santos	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/09/11
Jeanie Soucy	Registrar of Voters	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/13	6/02/11
Susanne Sounik	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/03/11
Cheryl Souza	Finance Committee	Appt. 8/08/11	5/01/14	8/17/11
Jonathan Souza	Tilcon Capaldi PJ Keating Weigher	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	---
Norval Stanley	By-Law Review Committee (Alternate)	5/10/10	5/01/11	5/25/11
Norval Stanley	By-Law Review Committee (Alternate)	4/25/11	5/01/12	5/25/11
Heather Sylvia	Council on Aging (Director)	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	8/16/11
Michael J. Sylvia	Registrar of Voters	Resigned 12/07/11	5/01811	5/11/09
Paul Sylvia	Safety Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/04/11
Paul Sylvia	Soil Conservation Board	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/04/11
Paul Sylvia	Special Police Officer for New Bedford Water Works	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/04/11

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Anita Tetreault	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/05/11
Anita Tetreault	Town Meeting Teller	Appt. 5/23/11	6/30/11	5/23/11
Richard Threlfall	Housing Partnership Committee	Appt. 9/12/11	5/01/12	9/23/11
Rebekah Tomlinson	Animal Control/Inspector	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/24/11
Ralph Urban	Phase II Stormwater Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	8/12/11
Ralph Urban	Soil Conservation Board Inspector	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	8/12/11
Jayne Viveiros	Library/Community Center Feasibility Study Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	8/15/11
Janet West	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	5/02/11
Carol Westgate	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 5/10/10	5/01/11	4/12/11
Carol Westgate	By-Law Review Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	10/13/11
David Wojnar	Alternative Energy Committee	Appt. 5/10/10	5/01/11	4/05/11
David Wojnar	Alternative Energy Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	---
David Wojnar	SRTA Rep.	Appt. 5/10/10	5/01/11	4/05/11
Joyce Wylie-Scholz	Election Inspector	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	6/17/11
Henry Young	Alternative Energy Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	8/12/11
Henry Young	Housing Partnership Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	8/12/11
Henry Young	Library/Community Center Feasibility Study Committee	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	8/12/11

**Town Oaths Administrated by Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk
“2011”**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Date of Election, Appointment, or Resignation</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>	<u>Date Sworn In</u>
Henry Young	Public Building Safety Committee	Appt. 9/12/11	Upon Completion	9/21/11
Filomenia Yuille	Tilcon Capaldi PJ Keating Weigher	Appt. 4/25/11	5/01/12	4/28/11

RESULTS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION HELD ON APRIL 4, 2011

Register of Voters as of Close of Registration on March 15, 2011

	Democrat	Green Rainbow	Libertarian	Republican	Unenrolled	Total
Precinct I	866	2	6	126	1156	2156
Precinct II	923	1	10	223	1487	2644
Precinct III	931		12	187	1538	2668
Total	2720	3	28	536	4181	7468

CLERK'S REPORT –PRECINCT I

To the Town Clerk:

The undersigned submit the following of the Annual Town Election held this day in Precinct I.

Polls were opened at 10:00 a.m. by Faye Philla, Warden.
Box register when polls were opened 0.
Number of ballots received 1000 plus 12 Absentee ballots.
Number of ballots cast from tape 333.
Number of ballots counted manually 0.
Number of ballots spoiled 9.
Number of Provisional Ballots not cast 0.
Number of Unused ballots returned 670.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Faye Philla
Clerk: Dorothy Gomes
Inspectors: Jeanne Duggan, Marie Hardy, Suzanne DeTerra,
Susanne Sounik, Anita Tetreault, Joanne Fournier
Police Officers: John Bolarinho, Gene Robinson

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 333.

A true record, Attest:/s/ Dorothy Gomes
Clerk of Election Officers
Attest: Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk

CLERK’S REPORT – PRECINCT II

To the Town Clerk:

The undersigned submit the following of the Annual Town Election held this day in Precinct II.

Polls were opened at 10:00 a.m. by Simonne Coutinho, Warden.
Box register when polls were opened 0.
Number of ballots received 1000 plus 18 Absentee ballots.
Number of ballots cast from tape 382.
Number of ballots counted manually 0.
Number of ballots spoiled 8.
Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.
Number of Unused ballots returned 628.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Simonne Coutinho
Clerk: Diane Ferreira
Inspectors: Paulette Hudson, Louise Benoit, Joyce Wylie-
Scholtz, Jennie Correia, Lorraine Gentili,
Lillian Contois
Police Officers: Janice Bubluski, Phillip Adams

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 382.

A true record, Attest:/s/ Diane Ferreira
Clerk of Election Officers
Attest: Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk

CLERK’S REPORT – PRECINCT III

To the Town Clerk:

The undersigned submit the following of the Annual Town Election held this day in Precinct III.

Polls were opened at 10:00 a.m. by Dianna Couto, Warden.
Box register when polls were opened 0.

Number of ballots received 1000 plus 10 Absentee ballots.
 Number of ballots cast from tape 375.
 Number of ballots counted manually 0.
 Number of ballots spoiled 2.
 Number of Provisional ballots not cast 0.
 Number of Unused ballots returned 633.

The following officers were present:

Warden: Dianna Couto
 Clerk: Lee Forand
 Inspectors: Maria Moore, Priscilla Santos, Donna Forand,
 Catherine Audette
 Police Officers: Janice Bubluski, Phillip Adams

Polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the ballot box registered 375.

A true record, Attest:/s/ Lee Forand
 Clerk of Election Officers
 Attest: Pamela Labonte, Town Clerk

RESULTS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION HELD ON APRIL 4, 2011

	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>I</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>II</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>MODERATOR</u> (Three Years)				
Blanks	314	346	326	986
Write-In's: (24)				
Bob Francis	13	3	3	19
Gary Rawcliffe	2	1	5	8
Tom Carreau	1			1
Tom Fortin	1			1
Mike Cioper	1			1
Charlene Fortin	1			1
Robert Francis		9	14	23
Patricia Scott		1		1
Joe Smith		1		1
Rawcliffe		1		1
Frank Knox		1		1
James Madruga		1		1
Gary Rousseau		1		1
Robert Francis		17	18	35

Marc Duprey			1	1
John Roy			1	1
Wayne Richmond			1	1
Bud Pimental			1	1
Valerie Amaral			1	1
Rob Goulart			1	1
Jacob Saucier			1	1
John Golda			1	1
Robert F. Francis			1	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>333</u>	<u>382</u>	<u>375</u>	<u>1090</u>

	<u>PRECINCT</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	
<u>TOWN CLERK</u>				
(Three Years)				
Pamela Labonte	260	303	308	871
Blanks	72	76	65	213
Write-In's: (6)				
Mike Cioper	1			1
Matt Goulet		1		1
John Howcroft		1		1
Maria Otocky		1		1
Irene Decotis			1	1
John Golda			1	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>333</u>	<u>382</u>	<u>375</u>	<u>1090</u>

	<u>PRECINCT</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	
<u>SELECTMEN</u>				
(Three Years)				
Leslie Dakin, Jr.	210	262	279	751
Ivo M. Almeida	115	107	96	318
Blanks	8	12		20
Write-In's: (1)				
Christine Brown		1		1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>333</u>	<u>382</u>	<u>375</u>	<u>1090</u>

	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>I</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>II</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>ASSESSOR</u>				
(Three Years)				
Marc F. Cenerizio	254	265	281	800
Blanks	78	115	93	286
Write -In's: (4)				
Paul Fortin	1			1
John Peters		1		1
Helen P. Young		1		1
Ernie Jarvis			1	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>333</u>	<u>382</u>	<u>375</u>	<u>1090</u>

	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>I</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>II</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>BOARD OF</u>				
<u>HEALTH</u>				
(Three Years)				
Robert Medeiros	254	257	278	789
Blanks	79	125	93	297
Write -In's: (3)				
John Golda			2	2
Robert Meunier			1	1
Kevin Dakin			1	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>333</u>	<u>382</u>	<u>375</u>	<u>1090</u>

	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>I</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>II</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>SCHOOL</u>				
<u>COMMITTEE</u>				
(Three Years)				
(Vote for Two)				
David M. DeTerra	236	282	270	788
Francis R. Kuthan	218	240	252	710
Blanks	212	241	225	678
Write -In's: (4)				
Joe Smith		1		1
Joanne Bertrand			1	1
Gary Rawcliffe			1	1
Matt Goulet			1	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>666</u>	<u>764</u>	<u>750</u>	<u>2180</u>

	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>I</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>II</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>SCHOOL</u>				
<u>COMMITTEE</u>				
(One Year)				
John Howcroft	227	253	261	741
Blanks	105	127	113	345
Write-In's: (4)				
Bob Lanzoni	1			1
Joe Smith		1		1
Dick Threlfall		1		1
Rene Racine			1	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>333</u>	<u>382</u>	<u>375</u>	<u>1090</u>

	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>I</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>II</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>COMMISSIONER</u>				
<u>OF TRUST FUNDS</u>				
(Three Years)				
Blanks	323	366	352	1041
Write -In's: (17)				
Paul Kehey	1			1
Leo Rousseau	3	10	8	21
Sam Trantham	1			1
William Krause, Jr.	4	1		5
Marshall Allen	1			1
Joe Smith		1		1
Michael Murrey		1		1
Thomas J. Fortin		1		1
William A. Krause		2		2
Rob Goulart			1	1
Bill Krause			2	2
William Crause			7	7
Bill Crouse			1	1
John C. Howcroft			1	1
Simone Coutinho			1	1
Tom Faria			1	1
James Madruga			1	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>333</u>	<u>382</u>	<u>375</u>	<u>1090</u>

	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>I</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>II</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>PLANNING</u>				
<u>COMMISSIONER</u>				
(Five Years)				
Mark M. DeSilva, Sr.	246	262	273	781
Blanks	87	119	100	306
Write-In's: (3)				
Joe Smith		1		1
John Golda			1	1
William Grosse			1	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>333</u>	<u>382</u>	<u>375</u>	<u>1090</u>

	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>I</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>II</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>CEMETERY</u>				
<u>BOARD</u>				
(Three Years)				
Joanne K. Cioper	248	285	287	820
Blanks	85	96	86	267
Write-In's: (3)				
Joe Smith		1		1
Kevin Dakin			1	1
Rescome Haskell			1	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>333</u>	<u>382</u>	<u>375</u>	<u>1090</u>

	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>I</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>II</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>TRUSTEES OF</u>				
<u>FREE PUBLIC</u>				
<u>LIBRARY</u>				
(Three Years)				
(Vote for Two)				
Henry T. Preston	244	259	268	771
Blanks	420	500	475	1395
Write-In's: (13)				
John Tavares	1			1
Robert Hall	1			1
Joe Smith		1		1
Kara Brown		2		2
Henry J. Otocki		1		1
Robbin Eusebio		1		1
Rob Goulart			1	1

John Golda			1	1
Jeff Bennett			1	1
Simone Coutinho			1	1
Connie Preston			1	1
Peter Griffin			1	1
Roy Springer			1	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>666</u>	<u>764</u>	<u>750</u>	<u>2180</u>

	<u>PRECINCT</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	
<u>PARK</u>				
<u>COMMISSIONER</u>				
(Three Years)				
Blanks	324	364	360	1048
Write-In's: (23)				
Mike Goulet	1			1
Gene Robinson	1			1
Jim Madruga	2	5	1	8
Mark Antone	2			2
Tom Decosta	1	3	1	5
Marshall Allen	1			1
Gary Rawcliffe	1			1
Thomas DaCosta		2		2
Erik Sibertsen		1		1
Bill Lessa		1		1
Paul Soucy II		1		1
Paul Levasseur		2	5	7
Lavaser		1		1
Frank Knox		1		1
Paul Soucy		1		1
Chris Richmond			1	1
James Madruga			1	1
James Mudrga			1	1
David White			1	1
David Wojnar			1	1
Mike Nunes			1	1
Rob Goulart			1	1
John Golda			1	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>333</u>	<u>382</u>	<u>375</u>	<u>1090</u>

	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>I</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>II</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS</u>				
(Three Years)				
(Vote for Two)				
Dustin T. Cormier	210	241	253	704
Darrin A. Pinto	194	215	214	623
Blanks	257	307	280	844
Write-In's: (7)				
Ray Barlow	2		1	3
John Carvalho	1			1
Matt Goulet	1			1
Marshall Allen	1			1
Paul Fortin		1		1
Rene Racine			1	1
Ray Racine			1	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>666</u>	<u>764</u>	<u>750</u>	<u>2180</u>

	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>I</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>II</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u> <u>III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>HOUSING AUTHORITY</u>				
(Five Years)				
Blanks	323	360	365	1048
Write-In's: (24)				
Mulvey	1			1
Gary Rousseau	1			1
Rene Racine	4	12	1	17
James Viveira	2			2
Carl Lima	1			1
Marshall Allen	1			1
Marc Cenerizio		1		1
Rene		1		1
Sandra Bettencourt		2		2
Chuck Leonard		1		1
Joe Smith		1		1
Paul R. Trahan		1		1
Michael Murray		1		1
Robert Varley		1		1
Raine Racine		1		1
John Roy			1	1
John Golda			1	1
Rob Goulart			1	1

Larry Mulvey			1	1
Roland Lapalme			1	1
James Madruga			1	1
Scott Deslauriers			1	1
Alan Coutinho			1	1
Jacob Saucier			1	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>333</u>	<u>382</u>	<u>375</u>	<u>1090</u>

	<u>PRECINCT I</u>	<u>PRECINCT II</u>	<u>PRECINCT III</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>TREE WARDEN</u>				
(Three Years)				
Raymond F. Barlow	251	281	297	829
Blanks	80	100	77	257
Write-In's: (4)				
Peter Fortin	1			1
Mark Cenerizio	1			1
Rene		1		1
John Bolorino			1	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>333</u>	<u>382</u>	<u>375</u>	<u>1090</u>

Attest:

Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk

Percentage of Votes Cast 22%

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
WARRANT
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 23, 2011 AT 7:00 P.M.
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Bristol, SS
To the Constable of the Town of Acushnet

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Acushnet, who are qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to meet at the Acushnet Ford Middle School Auditorium in said Acushnet, Monday, the twenty third (23rd) day of May, at 7:00 P.M. in the evening then and there to act on the following articles viz:

WEATHER: Rain Showers
WARRANT & NEWSPAPER NOTICES:
TIME MEETING OPENED: 7:08 P.M.
TIME MEETING REOPENED: 7:17 P.M.

LOCATION: Ford Middle School
Approved by Robert Francis, Moderator
TIME MEETING RECESSED: 7:15 P.M.
ATTENDANCE: 138

THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT ON STAGE:

Robert Francis, Moderator	Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk
Mary Lou Marques, Finance Committee, Vice Chairwoman	Katherine Milligan, Town Treasurer
Paul Pelletier, Finance Committee, Chairman	Cathy Doane, Finance Director
Alan Coutinho, Town Administrator	David E. Wojnar, Board of Selectmen
Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Board of Selectmen, Chairman	Leslie Dakin, Jr., Board of Selectmen
Darren Klein, Kopelman & Paige, Town Council	

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to line item #0104423-529000 (Snow Removal, Emergency) to fund expenses incurred in FY 2011, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$149,357.00)

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Board of Selectmen, Chairman, to move that the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$149,357.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this unanimously.
3. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to line item #8230122/515000 (Sick Time Buyback), or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$5,000.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by David E. Wojnar, Board of Selectmen, to move that the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$5,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommended this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund and implement wage increases and other cost items for Fiscal Year 2011, retroactive to July 1, 2010, for those employees covered by the following union contract: Police (Teamsters Union Local No. 59, covering the term of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2012); and other Police Department Employees, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Police Department #0102210

Line Item #511000 (Salaries- Chief)	\$ 4,066.00
Line Item #511100 (Salaries- Permanent)	\$55,000.00

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Leslie Dakin, Jr., Board of Selectmen to move that the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$59,066.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommended this article unanimously.

3. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to fund and implement the cost items for Fiscal Year 2011, retroactive to July 1, 2010, for employees covered by the following collective bargaining agreement: Department of Public Works, Highway, Water and Sewer, Public Employees Local Union, effective July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2012; and to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for such purposes, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Paul Sylvia, Department of Public Works, Director, to move that the Town vote to confirm the previous appropriation of funding voted under Article 1 of the May 24, 2010 Annual Town Meeting for the purpose of funding wage adjustments for unionized personnel as set forth in the warrant.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommended this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to the Reserve Fund line item #0101110/578000 or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$25,000.00)

(Submitted by the Finance Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Board of Selectmen, Chairman to move that the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$25,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for the purpose of making repairs to the historic signs placed throughout Town, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Historic Commission)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by David E. Wojnar, Board of Selectmen to move that the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$500.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars for the purpose of purchasing 3 bullet proof vests for the police department, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$2,500.00)

(Submitted by the Police Department)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Leslie Dakin, Jr. Board of Selectmen to move that the transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$2,500.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this unanimously; this amount of money will be reimbursed back to the town at a later date.
3. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$25,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing a computer server for the Police Department, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing, transfer from available funds or otherwise; or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$25,000.00)

(Submitted by the Police Department)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Board of Selectmen, Chairman to move the Town transfer from Stabilization the sum of \$25,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Vote: (2/3rds vote required) Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$47,000.00 for the purchase of capital equipment for the Highway Department (1 Ton Truck with Plow and Dump), including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing, transfer from available funds or otherwise; or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$47,000.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Jeffrey Schuster, Board of Public Works, Chairman to move that the Town transfer from Stabilization the sum of \$47,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Vote: (2/3rds vote required) Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$45,000.00 for the purchase of capital equipment for SeMass Department (wood chipper), including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing, transfer from available funds or otherwise; or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$45,000.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Paul Sylvia, Department of Public Works, Director, to move that the Town transfer from Stabilization the sum of \$45,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Vote: (2/3rds vote required) Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$89,000.00 for the purchase of capital equipment for the Highway Department (Backhoe), including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing, transfer from available funds or otherwise; or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$89,000.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Jeffrey Schuster, Board of Public Works, Chairman to move that the Town transfer from Stabilization the sum of \$89,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Vote: (2/3rd's vote required) Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Water Surplus account the sum of \$80,000.00 to Water Department line item #2704450-523000 (New Bedford Water Bills), or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$80,000.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Paul Sylvia, Department of Public Works, Director to move that the Town transfer from Water Surplus Account the sum of \$80,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee Recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Sewer Surplus account the sum of \$10,000.00 to Sewer Department line item #6004440-529200 (Sewer Pumping New Bedford), or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$10,000.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Paul Sylvia, Department of Public Works, Director, to move that the Town transfer from the Sewer Surplus Account the sum of \$10,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of One Thousand Ninety Six Dollars (\$1,096.00) for the purpose of purchasing two (2) portable radios for the EMS Division, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Fire Chief)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by David E. Wojnar, Board of Selectmen to move that the Town transfer from the EMS Reserve Receipt Account the sum of \$1,096.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of Five Thousand One Hundred Thirty Four Dollars (\$5,134.00) for the purpose of purchasing one (1) ambulance stretcher, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Fire Chief)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Leslie Dakin, Jr., Board of Selectmen to move that the Town transfer from the EMS Reserve Receipt Account the sum of \$5,134.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$1,290.00) for the purpose of purchasing one (1) desktop computer (PCU, monitor and keyboard) for the Fire Department, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Fire Chief)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Board of Selectmen, Chairman, to move that the Town transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$1,290.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Ambulance Reserve Receipt Account a sum of money to fund staff salaries in the Acushnet Fire & EMS Department through the remainder of the current fiscal year, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$26,500.00)

(Submitted by the Fire Chief)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by David E. Wojnar, Board of Selectmen to move that the Town transfer from the EMS Reserve Receipt Account the sum of \$26,500.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) from the Community Preservation Fund, under the category of Support and Rehabilitation of Community Housing, as a grant to the Acushnet Housing Authority for the purpose of converting a conventional bathroom to a handicapped bathroom at the Acushnet Housing Authority located at 23 Main Street, and known as “Presidential Terrace”, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Leslie Dakin, Jr., Board of Selectmen to move that the Town transfer from the Community Preservation Fund Budgeted Reserve Account the sum of \$25,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee does not recommend passage of this article. We feel this is state property and should be maintained by the state and not the town.
3. Community Preservation Committee recommendation: Geraldine Frates, Community Preservation Committee (CPC), Chairwoman, we do endorse this project as a committed use of CPC Funds and apparently it seems to be a very necessary item that needs to be tended, too.
4. Vote: Article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by gift, purchase, or eminent domain an agricultural preservation restriction, on the property known as Silverbrook Farm, located at 934 Main Street, Acushnet, and shown as Assessors Map 7, Lots 29 & 30, to be held jointly and in perpetuity, by the Town of Acushnet and the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources, such restriction to be under the care,

custody and control of the Conservation Commission; and, as funding therefor, to transfer from the Community Preservation Fund FY2011 Budgeted Reserve the sum of \$50,000.00 for such purposes, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Board of Selectmen, Chairman, to move that the Town transfer from the Community Preservation Fund Budgeted Reserve Account the sum of \$50,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing an agricultural preservation restriction as set forth in said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommended this article unanimously.
3. Geraldine Frates, Community Preservation Committee, Chairwoman: We enthusiastically support this as our first APR (Agricultural Preservation Restriction) project and it will hopefully be voted "yes". It is also supported by the Conservation Commission.
4. Vote: (Article does not require a 2/3rds vote because eminent domain will not be included in this and this is only going to be a purchase; we can do it as a majority - all other town property is a 2/3rds when it goes to the town; but because it is going to the Conservation/Community, we can do this as a majority vote). The article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds an amount for the purpose of contributing to a Stabilization Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B or take any other action relative thereto.

1. Motion made by Paul Pelletier, Finance Committee, Chairman, to move the Town table said article.
2. Vote: (2/3rds vote required) Declared tabled unanimously.

8:00 P.M. Motion made to adjourn Special Town Meeting. Motion passes – meeting adjourned.

You are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof fifteen (15) days at the least before the time of said meeting as directed by the Board of Selectmen. Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this **29th** day of **April**, 2011.

Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Chairman

David E. Wojnar, Member

Leslie Dakin, Jr., Member
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A True Copy Attest:
This **6th** day of **May**, 2011

Rebekah Tomlinson

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
WARRANT
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 23, 2011 AT 7:15 P.M.
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Bristol, SS
To the Constable of the Town of Acushnet

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Acushnet, who are qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to meet at the Acushnet Ford Middle School Auditorium in said Acushnet, Monday, the Twenty Third (23rd) day of May, at 7:15 P.M. in the evening then and there to act on the following articles viz:

WEATHER: Rain Showers

LOCATION: Ford Middle School

WARRANT & NEWSPAPER NOTICES:

TIME MEETING OPENED: 7:15 P.

TIME MEETING REOPENED: 8:01 P.M.

Approved by Robert Francis, Moderator

TIME RECESSED: 7:16 P.M.

ATTENDANCE: 138

THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT ON STAGE:

Robert Francis, Moderator	Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk
Mary Lou Marques, Finance Committee, Vice Chairwoman	Katherine Milligan, Town Treasurer
Paul Pelletier, Finance Committee, Chairman	Cathy Doane, Finance Director
Alan Coutinho, Town Administrator	David E. Wojnar, Board of Selectmen
Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Board of Selectmen, Chairman	Leslie Dakin, Jr., Board of Selectmen
Darren Klein, Kopelman & Paige, Town Council	

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to fix salaries and compensation of elected/appointed officers/employees, and to see what sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide for the payment of said salaries and compensation, payment of debt interest, for a reserve fund and for charges, expenses and outlays of the several town departments for the ensuing twelve (12) month period through June 30, 2012, or to take any other action relative thereto.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Paul Pelletier, Finance Committee, Chairman to move that the Town fix salaries and compensation of elected/appointed officers/employees, and appropriate funds for the payment of said salaries and compensation, payment of debt and interest, a reserve fund, and for charges, expenses and outlays of the several town departments for the ensuing twelve (12) month period through June 30, 2012, all as set forth in the budget presented by the Finance Committee, including all Town Meeting made amendments and as funding therefore, to appropriate from Taxation the sum of \$21,592,207.00, transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$591,192.00, transfer from the Over Lay Surplus the sum of \$150,266.00, transfer from EMS Reserved Receipt account the sum of \$300,000.00, transfer from the Stabilization Fund the sum of \$330,155.00, appropriate from Water Fees the sum of \$1,033,539.00, transfer from Water Surplus the sum of \$80,000.00, appropriate from Sewer Fees the sum of \$462,295.00, transfer from Sewer Surplus the sum of \$10,000.00, appropriate from Golf Fees \$1,449,139.00 and transfer from Golf Contingency the sum of \$-0-.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this.
3. Vote: (2/3rds vote required) Declared Article 1 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 2011 in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17, or to take any other action relative thereto.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Board of Selectmen, Chairman to move that the Town accept said article as read.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article.
3. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the members of the Cemetery Board to perform work in the Cemeteries and to determine the compensation to be paid to said members, or to take any other action relative thereto.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by David E. Wojnar, Board of Selectmen, to move that the Town accept said article as read.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article.
3. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and enter into a contract for the expenditure of any funds allotted or to be allotted by the Commonwealth for the construction, reconstruction and improvements of Town roads, or to take any other action relative thereto.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Leslie Dakin, Board of Selectmen, to move that the Town accept said article as read.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article.
3. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer a sum of money for the payment of unpaid bills of prior years in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 64 of the General Laws, or to take any other action relative thereto.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Board of Selectmen, Chairman to move that the Town table said article as there currently no unpaid bills.
2. Vote: (2/3rds vote required) Declared Article 5 tabled unanimously.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to allow the Board of Library Trustees to sell for the sum of (\$1.00) the discarded books and periodicals of the Russell Memorial Library to the Friends of the Russell Memorial Library, a non-profit library support group, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by David E. Wojnar, Board of Selectmen, to move that the Town accept said article as read.

2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article.
3. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote re-authorize a revolving fund account pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, §53E1/2 for the Conservation Commission into which monies received by the Town for Conservation Commission Fees, except for fees already allocated to the NOI account (fees received for NOIs and ANRADs), are deposited and from which the Conservation Commission shall expend funds solely for the Commission activities, not to exceed \$2,500.00 in the fiscal year, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Conservation Commission)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Leslie Dakin, Jr., Board of Selectmen, to move that the Town reauthorize a revolving fund for the Conservation Commission as set forth in the warrant.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommended this article with opposition.
3. Vote: Article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize a revolving fund account pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, §53E1/2 for the Council on Aging into which monies received by the Town from Council on Aging activities, are deposited and from which the Council on Aging shall expend funds solely for the Council on Aging activities, not to exceed \$15,000 in the fiscal year, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Council on Aging)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Kevin Gaspar, Board of Selectmen, Chairman to move that the Town authorize a revolving fund for the Council on Aging as set forth in the warrant.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article.
3. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 9. COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT

To see if the Town will vote to act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the Fiscal Year 2012 Community Preservation Budget and to appropriate or reserve for later appropriation monies from the Community Preservation Fund Estimated Annual Revenues or available funds for the administrative expenses of the

Community Preservation Committee, the payment of debt service, the undertaking of Community Preservation projects and all other necessary and proper expenses for the year, or take any other action relative thereto.

PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2012 COMMUNITY PRESERVATION BUDGET

The Community Preservation Committee recommends that the following amounts be appropriated or reserved from Fiscal Year 2012 Community Preservation Fund estimated annual revenues, unless otherwise specified, for Fiscal Year 2012 Community Preservation purposes with each item considered a separate appropriation:

PURPOSE:	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT:
Appropriations:	
Community Preservation Administrative Expenses	\$7,659.00
Reserves:	
Open Space	\$15,319.00
Historic Resources	\$15,319.00
Community Housing	\$15,319.00
Budgeted Reserves	\$220,251.00
Total FY 2012 Budget	\$273,867.00

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)**

1. Motion made by David E. Wojnar, Board of Selectmen, to move that the Town appropriate or reserve from Community Preservation Fund FY2012 estimated annual revenues the sum of \$153,195.00 and from the Community Preservation Fund Balance the sum of \$120,672.00, which sum shall be credited to the Budgeted Reserves line, as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee and as set forth in the warrant for committee administrative expenses, debt service, community preservation projects and other expenses in Fiscal Year 2012, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article.
3. Community Preservation Recommendation: Geraldine Frates, Community Preservation Committee, Chairwoman recommends this article.
4. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Section 9A of Chapter 200A of General Massachusetts Laws, as amended by Section 65 of Chapter 188 of the Acts of 2010, for the Town which allows an alternative procedure for the Town Treasurer to follow in order for the Town to retain uncashed and abandoned funds (tailings); or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Treasurer)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Leslie Dakin, Jr., Board of Selectmen, to move that the Town accept said article as read.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article.
3. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws by inserting a new bylaw entitled, “Junk, Old Metals or Second Hand Articles Bylaw”, or similarly entitled as on file with the Town Clerk, which bylaw will allow the Town to require junk or other debris, in any zone, to be hidden from view of neighboring properties and the general public, or to take any other action relative thereto. And further that nonsubstantive changes to the numbering of this bylaw be permitted in order that it be in compliance with the numbering format of the By-Laws of Acushnet.

(Submitted by the By-Law Review Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Board of Selectmen, Chairman to move that the Town amend the General By-Laws as set forth in the handout entitled, “Junk Dealers”.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article.
3. Planning Board Recommendation: Leo Coons, Planning Board recommends this article.
4. Vote: (2/3rds vote required)

In Favor: East: 81/West: 2 – Total: 83
Opposed: East : 3/West: 0 – Total: 3

83 in favor/3 opposed; article passes with a 2/3rds majority with opposition.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws to establish Large-Scale Ground-Mounted Solar Installations as a permitted use requiring a special permit, and naming the Planning Board as the Special Permit Granting Authority, and to take any other action relative thereto. And further that nonsubstantive changes to the numbering of this bylaw be permitted in order that it be in compliance with the numbering format of the By-Laws of Acushnet.

(Submitted by the Planning Board)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by David E. Wojnar, Board of Selectmen, to move that the Town amend the Zoning By-Laws as set forth in the handout entitled, "Large Scale Ground-Mounted Solar Installations".
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article.
3. Planning Board Recommendation: Leo Coons, Planning Board recommends this article unanimously.
4. Vote: (2/3rds vote required) Article passes by a 2/3rds majority.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws by inserting a new bylaw designed to reduce the number of false alarm calls the Police Department responds to as on file with the Town Clerk or to take any other action relative thereto. And further that nonsubstantive changes to the numbering of this bylaw be permitted in order that it be in compliance with the numbering format of the By-Laws of Acushnet.

(Submitted by the Police Department)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Leslie Dakin, Board of Selectmen, to move that the Town amend the General By-Laws as set forth in the handout entitled, "Alarms".
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article.
3. Vote: (2/3rds vote required) Article passes by a 2/3rds majority.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Public Works to enter into a five-year agreement with Howland Disposal to provide the services of curbside trash and recycling and any related services, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Board of Selectmen, Chairman to move that the Town accept said article as read.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article.
3. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will approve the \$2,500,000 borrowing authorized by the Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School District, for the purpose of paying costs of replacement of the Old Colony School Building urethane foam roof and renovation of the existing science laboratory located at 476 North Avenue Rochester, Massachusetts, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto, which proposed repair project would materially extend the useful life of the school and preserve an asset that otherwise is capable of supporting the required educational program, and for which the District may be eligible for a school construction grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority (“MSBA”), said sum to be expended at the direction of the District School Committee. The MSBA’s grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any project costs the District incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the District. Any grant that the District may receive from the MSBA for the Project shall not exceed the lesser of (1) fifty-four and sixteen one hundredths percent (54.16%) of eligible, approved project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or (2) the total maximum grant amount determined by the MSBA.

(Submitted by Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by David E. Wojnar, Board of Selectmen, to move that the Town hereby approves the \$2,500,000.00 borrowing authorized by the Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School District, for the purpose of paying costs of replacement of the Old Colony School Building urethane foam roof and renovation of the existing science laboratory located at 476 North Avenue, Rochester, Massachusetts, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto, which proposed repair projects would materially extend the useful life of the school and preserve an asset that otherwise is capable of supporting the required educational program, and for which the district may be eligible for a school construction grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority (“MSBA”) said sum to be expended at the direction of the District School Committee that the town acknowledges

that the Massachusetts School Building Authorities (MSBA) grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any project costs the District incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the District; provided further that any grant that the District may receive from the MSBA for the project shall not exceed the lesser of (1) fifty-four and sixteen one hundredths percent (54.16%) of eligible, approved project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or the total maximum grant amount determined by the MSBA; provided further that this approval is contingent upon the Old Colony Regional School District being approved by the MSBA for a grant totaling at least fifty-four and sixteen one hundredths percent (54.16%) of eligible, approved project costs, as determined by the MSBA; and that the amount of borrowing authorized by the District shall be reduced by any grant amount set forth in the Project Funding Agreement that may be executed between the District and the MSBA.

2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommends passage of this article.
3. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds an amount for the purpose of contributing to a Stabilization Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Finance Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Paul Pelletier, Finance Committee, to move that the Town table said article at this time.
2. Vote: Declared tabled unanimously.

9:55 P.M. - Motion made to adjourn Annual Town Meeting. Motion passes – meeting adjourned.

You are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven (7) days at the least before the time of said meeting as directed by the Board of Selectmen. Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 29th day of April, 2011.

Adjourned 9:55 P.M.

Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Chairman

David E. Wojnar, Member

Leslie Dakin, Jr., Member
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A True Copy, Attest:
This day of **May 6, 2011**

Rebekah Tomlinson
Constable of Acushnet

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
WARRANT
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2011 AT 7:00 P.M.
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Bristol, SS
To the Constable of the Town of Acushnet

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Acushnet, who are qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to meet at the Acushnet Ford Middle School Auditorium in said Acushnet, Monday, the Twenty-Fourth (24th) day of October, at 7:00 P.M. in the evening then and there to act on the following articles viz:

WEATHER: Cool and partly cloudy
WARRANT & NEWSPAPER NOTICES
TIME MEETING OPENED: 7:03 P.M.

LOCATION: Ford Middle School
Approved by Robert Francis, Moderator
ATTENDANCE: 129

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THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT ON STAGE:

Robert Francis, Moderator
Katherine Milligan, Town Treasurer
Cathy Doane, Finance Director
David E. Wojnar, Board of Selectmen
Leslie Dakin, Jr., Board of Selectmen

Pamela A. Labonte, Town Clerk
Paul Pelletier, Finance Committee, Chairman
Alan Coutinho, Town Administrator
Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Board of Selectmen, Chairman
Darren Klein, Kopelman & Paige, Town Council

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ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Sewer Phase II Betterment Fund the sum of \$75,000.00 for the purpose of reimbursing the General Fund for debt service expenditures previously incurred, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Gaspar to move that the Town transfer from the Sewer Phase II Betterment Fund the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars to fund General Fund Debt Service and other Fiscal Year 2012 budget items as voted from

taxation under Article One at the May 23rd, 2011 Annual Town Meeting.

2. Finance Committee Recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Twelve Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Eight Dollars to implement wage increases for those employees covered by the following Union Contract: Town Hall (AFSCME Local 851), and non-union employees retroactive to July 1, 2011, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$12,368.00)

Department Selectmen #0101122
Line item # 511300 (Salaries- Clerical) \$3,384.00
Department Town Accountant #0101135
Line item # 511400 (Salaries- Billing Clerk) \$1,005.00
Department Assessors #0101141
Line item # 511300 (Salaries-Clerical) \$969.00
Department Police #0102210
Line Item #511100 (Salaries Permanent) \$2,010.00
Department Council on Aging 0105541
Line item #511000 (Salaries Director) \$5,000.00

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar to move the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,368.00, for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee Recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Twenty One Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Five Dollars to fund the cost items of a contract between the Town and the Acushnet Permanent Fire Fighters Assoc. Local# 3281 Affiliated with the International Association of Fire Fighters, for the period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2012, with wage increases retroactive to July 1, 2010, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$21,365.00)

Department # 0102220
Line item # 511100 (Salaries- Permanent) \$18,714.01
Training/CPR/1st – Aid #538100 \$2,650.00

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Dakin to move the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$21,365.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee Recommendation: Finance Committee voted unanimously for this article.
3. Vote: Article declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars for the purpose of retaining the services of a Health Insurance Advisory Consultant, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$4,500.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Gaspar to move the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,500.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee Recommendation: Finance Committee voted unanimously for this article.
3. Vote: Article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars, to be expended by the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of conducting a Police Station Feasibility Study, including all costs incidental and related thereto, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$35,000.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar to move the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee Recommendation: Finance Committee recommended this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the roadway known as Elderberry Drive, as heretofore laid out by the Board of Selectmen in the manner described below, which description is on file at the Town Clerk’s Office, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire on behalf of the Town, by purchase, gift, eminent domain or otherwise, interests in property sufficient to use said way for all purposes for which public ways are used in the Town of Acushnet and all associated easements, or take any action relative thereto.

Legal Description
Elderberry Drive

Beginning at a point in the southerly sideline of Peckham Road said point being the intersection of the westerly line of Elderberry Drive and said Peckham Road and being the northwesterly corner of the hereinafter described parcel; thence

N 80°51’00” E	One hundred ten and 44/100 (110.44) feet by said Peckham Road to a point; thence
Southwesterly	Along a curve to the left having a radius of thirty (30.00) feet and an arc length of forty nine and 81/100 (49.81) feet to a point; thence
S 14°16’30” E	Seven hundred twenty eight and 40/100 (728.40) feet to a point; thence
Southwesterly	Along a curve to the right having a radius of one hundred fifty (150.00) feet and an arc length of ninety five and 84/100 (95.84) feet to a point; thence
S 22°20’00” W	One hundred sixty nine and 24/100 (169.24) feet to a point; thence

Southwesterly	Along a curve to the right having a radius of one hundred fifty (150.00) feet and an arc length of one hundred thirty nine and 78/100 (139.78) feet to a point; thence
S 75°43'30" W	Nineteen and 07/100 (19.07) feet to a point; thence
Southwesterly	Along a curve to the left having a radius of thirty (30.00) feet and an arc length of forty seven and 12/100 (47.12) feet to a point in the easterly sideline of Blueberry Drive; thence
N 14°16'30" W	One hundred ten and 00/100 (110.00) feet by said line of Blueberry Drive to a point; thence
Southeasterly	Along a curve to the left having a radius of thirty (30.00) feet and an arc length of forty seven and 12/100 (47.12) feet to a point; thence
N 75°43'30" E	Nineteen and 07/100 (19.07) feet to a point; thence
Northeasterly	Along a curve to the left having a radius of one hundred (100.00) feet and an arc length of ninety three and

N 22°20'00" E	19/100 (93.19) feet to a point; thence One hundred sixty nine and 24/100 (169.24) feet to a point; thence
Northeasterly	Along a curve to the left having a radius of one hundred (100.00) feet and an arc length of sixty three and 89/100 (63.89) feet to a point; thence
N 14°16'30" W	Seven hundred thirty eight and 27/100 (738.27) feet to a point; thence
Northwesterly	Along a curve to the left having a radius of thirty (30.00) feet and an arc length of forty four and 44/100 (44.44) feet to the point and place of beginning.

Said parcel containing one and 37/100 (1.37) acres and being a portion of "Elderberry Drive" as shown on a plan entitled "Forestdale' Definitive Subdivision of Land in Acushnet, Massachusetts Prepared for R. J. Realty Trust," dated August 17, 1977 and recorded with the Bristol County Southern District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 115, Page 8.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)**

1. Motion made by Selectman Dakin to move the Town accept said article as read.
2. Finance Committee Recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Planning Board Recommendation: Leo Coons, Planning Board passes this article unanimously.
4. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the roadway known as Blueberry Drive, as heretofore laid out by the Board of Selectmen in the manner described below, which description is on file at the Town Clerk's Office, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire on behalf of the Town, by purchase, gift, eminent domain or otherwise, interests in property sufficient to use said way for all purposes for which public ways are used in the Town of Acushnet and all associated easements, or take any action relative thereto.

Legal Description
Blueberry Drive

Beginning at a point in the southerly sideline of Peckham Road said point being the intersection of the westerly line of Blueberry Drive and said Peckham Road and being the northwesterly corner of the hereinafter described parcel; thence

- N 80°51'00" E One hundred ten and 44/100 (110.44) feet by said Peckham Road to a point; thence

- Southwesterly Along a curve to the left having a radius of thirty (30.00) feet and an arc length of forty nine and 81/100 (49.81) feet to a point; thence

- S 14°16'30" E One thousand nine hundred fifty seven and 71/100 (1957.71) feet to a point; thence

- Southwesterly Along a curve to the right having a radius of fifty (50.00) feet and an arc length of one hundred thirty two and 01/100 (132.01) feet to a point; thence

- N 02°21'13" W Sixty seven and 03/100 (67.03) feet to a point; thence

- Northeasterly Along a curve to the left having a radius of thirty (30.00) feet and an arc length of fort seven and 12/100 (47.12) feet to a point; thence

#558000	Supplies- Operations	\$ 3,000
#571000	Travel	\$ 500
#573000	Dues / Memberships- Operations	\$ 500
#574100	Dues / Memberships- Maintenance	\$ 500
#585000	Equipment	<u>\$ 45,000</u>

Total Reduction \$144,000

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar to move the Town vote to reduce the Golf Enterprise Fund line item as printed in the warrant that were originally appropriated from the Golf Fees under Article One at the May 23, 2011 Annual Town Meeting.
2. Finance Committee Recommendation: Finance Committee also recommends this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of One Hundred Twenty Dollars for the payment of an unpaid Building Department bill from a prior year in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 64 of the General Laws, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$120.00)

(Submitted by the Building Department)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectmen Dakin that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$120.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee Recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Vote: (9/10ths vote required) Article declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer Two Thousand One Hundred Twenty Two Dollars for the purpose of acquiring and installing computer software for a new data tracking system for the Licensing Program and an Animal Control Module. This will replace the current program which is now outdated and is no longer updateable, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$2,122.00)

(Submitted by the Town Clerk)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Gaspar to move the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,122.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee Recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds Six Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety Five Dollars for the purchase and equipping of a commercial mower for the Park Department, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$6,795.00)

(Submitted by the Park Commissioners)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,976.00 and transfer from free cash the sum of \$4,819.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee Recommendation: Finance Committee recommended this article six (6) to one (1).
3. Vote: Article passed with opposition.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for the purpose of making repairs to historical signs placed throughout Town, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Historical Commission)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Dakin to move that the Town transfer from free cash the sum of \$500.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee Recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sum of money for the purpose of purchasing and equipping two (2) police cruisers for the Police Department; that to meet said appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be authorized to borrow said sum under Ch. 44 of the Massachusetts General laws and/or any other enabling authority and issue bonds and notes therefor; or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$51,290.00)

(Submitted by the Police Department)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Gaspar to move the Town transfer from free cash the sum of \$51,290.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee Recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Article declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds Eighteen Thousand One Hundred Seventy Six Dollars for the purpose of purchasing radio equipment for the Police Department, including all costs incidental and related thereto, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$18,176.00)

(Submitted by the Police Department)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar to move the Town transfer from free cash the sum on \$18,176.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee recommendation: Finance Committee recommended this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Dollars for the purpose of purchasing a computer system for the Emergency Management Agency, including all costs incidental and related thereto, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$12,500.00)

(Submitted by the Emergency Management Agency)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectmen Dakin to move the Town transfer from free cash the sum of \$12,500.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee Recommendation: Finance Committee recommended this article six (6) to one (1).
3. Vote: Article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow Thirty Two Thousand Dollars for the purpose of purchasing and equipping a command vehicle for the Fire & EMS Department; that to meet said

appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be authorized to borrow said sum under Ch. 44 of the Massachusetts General laws and/or any other enabling authority and issue bonds and notes therefor; or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$32,000.00)

(Submitted by the Fire /EMS Department)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Gaspar that the Town transfer from the Ambulance Reserve Receipt Account the sum of \$22,000.00 and from free cash the sum of \$10,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee Recommendation: Finance Committee recommended this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Article declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sum of money for the purchase or lease/purchase and equipping of a side boom mower; and to authorize the Board of Public Works to enter into a five-year lease/purchase agreement for such mower, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$91,894.00 to purchase or \$20,085.00 per year for 5 years to lease)

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Paul Sylvia, Director of the Department of Public Works that the Board of Public Works be authorized to enter into a five year lease purchase agreement for the acquisition of a side boom mower and all necessary equipment related thereto; and the Town hereby appropriates from free cash the sum of Twenty Thousand Eighty-Five Dollars (\$20,085.00) for the first payment due on such lease purchase agreement.
2. Finance Committee Recommendation: Finance Committee recommended this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town with vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow the sum of Sixteen Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars to pay costs of purchasing a two-ton vibratory roller for the Highway Department, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto; that to meet said appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be authorized to borrow said sum under Ch. 44 of the Massachusetts General laws and/or any other enabling authority and issue bonds and notes therefor; or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$16,900.00)

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Paul Sylvia, Director of Public Works to move the Town transfer from free cash the sum of \$16,900.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee Recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Article declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Sewer Surplus account a sum of money to Sewer Department line item #6004440-524600 (Maintenance of the System), or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Public Works)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Paul Sylvia, Director of Public Works the Town transfer from the Sewer Surplus Account the amount of \$50,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee Recommendation: Finance Committee recommended this article unanimously.
3. Vote: Article declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of Forty-Five Thousand Dollars from the Community Preservation Fund, for the preservation, renovation and restoration of the historic Parting Ways building located at 130 Main Street, including but not limited to the repair, removal and installation of new shingles and painting, pursuant to the Community Preservation program, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$45,000.00)

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Wojnar the Town move to transfer from the Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve Account the sum of \$45,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee Recommendation: Finance Committee also recommends this article unanimously.

3. Community Preservation Recommendation: Kevin Dakin, Community Preservation Chairman: Community Preservation Committee unanimously voted to recommend this article.
4. Vote: The Article passes with opposition.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars from the Community Preservation Fund for the rehabilitation and re-construction of the original 10-stall carriage garage at the historic Friends Meeting House at 1341 Main Street, pursuant to the Community Preservation Program, or to take any other action relative thereto. (\$25,000.00)

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Dakin the Town move to transfer from the Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve Account the sum of \$25,000.00 for the purpose of said article.
2. Finance Committee Recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Community Preservation Recommendation: Kevin Dakin, Community Preservation Chairman: Community Preservation Committee unanimously voted to recommend this article.
4. Vote: Article declared passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars from the Community Preservation Fund to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for the restoration and preservation of the Town's historic vital records, pursuant to the Community Preservation Program, or to take any action relative thereto.(\$50,000.00)

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Gaspar, to move the Town table said article to provide the Town further time to review the issue.
2. Finance Committee Recommendation: N/A
3. Vote: (Requires 2/3rd's) Article declared passed by a 2/3rd's majority with opposition.

ARTICLE 23. Conservation Restriction Acquisition – LaPalme Riverside Farm – Blain Street

To see if the Town will vote to raise, and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow the sum of \$495,000 for the acquisition by

gift, purchase, eminent domain or otherwise of a conservation restriction over a parcel of land of approximately 46.6 ± acres owned by the LaPalme Family Nominee Trust as described on Acushnet Assessors Map 24, Lot 145, to be managed and controlled by the Conservation Commission of the Town of Acushnet in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, Section 8C for conservation and passive recreation purposes, and authorize the Board of Selectmen or Conservation Commission to acquire said restriction; to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow said sum pursuant to G.L. c.44, § 7 and 8 or any other enabling authority and issue bonds or notes therefor; and further that the Board of Selectmen and /or the Conservation Commission be authorized to file on behalf of the town of Acushnet any and all applications deemed necessary under the Local Acquisitions for Natural Diversity (“Land”) grant program (Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 132A, Section 11) or any other sources or applications for funds in any way connected with the scope of this acquisition, and the Board of Selectmen and/or the Conservation Commission be authorized, to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments, as may be necessary on behalf of the Town of Acushnet to affect said purchase; provided, however that no portion of said appropriation shall be borrowed or expended unless the Board of Selectmen has determined that the Town is eligible for reimbursement from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in an amount of not less than \$326,700 and that funds are available for the acquisition from other source(s) in an amount of not less than \$168,300; or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Conservation Commission)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectmen David Wojnar that the sum of \$495,000 be appropriated to pay costs of acquiring, by gift, negotiated purchase, bargain sale, eminent domain or otherwise, a conservation restriction over a parcel of land of approximately 46.6 ± acres owned by the LaPalme Family Nominee Trust as described on Acushnet Assessors Map 24, Lot 145, to be managed and controlled by the Conservation Commission of the Town of Acushnet in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 8C for conservation and passive recreation purposes; that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7 (3) in 8C of the General Laws or pursuant to any other enabling authority and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefore, that the Board of Selectmen and/or the Conservation Commission is authorized to file on behalf of the Town of Acushnet

any and all applications deemed necessary under the state Local Acquisitions for Natural Diversity grant program (Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 132A, Section 11) or any other sources or applications for funds in any way connected with the scope of this acquisition, and the Board of Selectmen and/or the Conservation commission are authorized, as they deem appropriate, to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments, as may be necessary on behalf of the Town of Acushnet to effect said purchase; provided, however that no portion of said appropriation shall be borrowed or expended unless the Board of Selectmen have determined that the Town is eligible for reimbursement from a Commonwealth of Massachusetts grant for this project in an amount of not less than \$326,700 and from other source (s) in an amount of not less than \$168,300.

2. Finance Committee Recommendation: Finance Committee recommended this article with one abstention.
3. Vote: (Requires 2/3rds) Article does pass with opposition, declared passed by a 2/3rds majority.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to amend the General By-Laws by inserting a new By-Law entitled, “Unnecessary, Loud, Excessive or Unusual Noise”, as follows:

It shall be unlawful for any person or persons in or about any dwelling, building, premises, shelter, boat or establishment or any part thereof, to cause, between the hours of 10:00PM and 6:00AM any unnecessary, loud, excessive or unusual noises including but not limited to the daily operation of a motor vehicle, equipment or machinery, sound making device, musician or group of musicians, or loud or boisterous noises by any person or group of persons. Or to take any other action relative thereto. And further that nonsubstantive changes to the numbering of this bylaw be permitted in order that it be in compliance with the numbering format of the By-Laws of Acushnet.

(Submitted by the By-Law Review Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Selectman Dakin to move that the Town amend the General By-Laws as set forth in said article by adopting the by-law entitled “Unnecessary, Loud, Excessive or Unusual Noise.”
2. Finance Committee Recommendation: Finance Committee recommended this article unanimously.
3. Vote: (2/3rds vote required)

In Favor: East: 14/West: 17 – Total: 31
Opposed: East: 23/West: 25 – Total: 48

Article did not reach majority, the article fails.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to amend the General By-Laws by inserting a new By-Law entitled, "Storage or Trailer Box": **Temporary License**

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this by-law to the contrary, upon application from the owner or occupier of a parcel of land and payment of such fee as the Board of Selectmen may establish from time to time, the Board may issue a temporary license to place a storage or trailer box, as defined herein, on such property to be used for the temporary storage of personal property for a period not to exceed one year. Such license may be renewed annually upon reapplication. All storage or trailer boxes existing on the effective date of this by-law shall be required to be licensed in compliance herewith within two months of the effective date of this by-law.

The term "**Storage or Trailer Box**" is defined for purposes of this by-law as any completely enclosed or covered container of sufficient size to allow walk-in entry by a person, and used for outdoor storage, including but not limited to shipping containers, cargo boxes, truck bodies, and trailers which are or were part of a tractor trailer unit. This definition shall not include a travel trailer or camping trailer which is a vehicle designed to be used for travel on highways on rubber tired wheels for recreational or residence purposes, is used for recreational purposes, and/or is currently registered with the Registry of Motor Vehicles.

And further that nonsubstantive changes to the numbering of this bylaw be permitted in order that it be in compliance with the numbering format of the By-Laws of Acushnet. Or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the By-Law Review Committee)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
(RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FLOOR)

1. Motion made by Chairman Gaspar the Town move to amend the General By-laws as set forth in said article by adopting a by-law entitled "Storage or Trailer Box": Temporary License.
2. Finance Committee Recommendation: Finance Committee recommends this article unanimously.
3. Motion made by Norman Fredette, resident moves the article get tabled until fees are discussed.
4. Vote: (2/3rds vote required) Article declared tabled by 2/3rds vote.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds an amount for the purpose of contributing to a Stabilization Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B or take any other action relative thereto.

Article Tabled unanimously

1. Motion made by Paul Pelletier, Finance Committee Chair to move the Town table said article.
2. Vote: (2/3rd's vote required) Seeing no one opposed, the article is tabled unanimously.

8:26 P.M. – Motion made to adjourn Special Town Meeting. Motion passes - meeting adjourned.

You are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof fifteen (15) days at the least before the time of said meeting as directed by the Board of Selectmen. Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this **7th** day of **October**, 2011.

Kevin Gaspar, Sr., Chairman

David E. Wojnar, Member

Leslie Dakin Jr., Member,
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A True Copy Attest:
This **7th** day of **October**, 2011

Rebekah Tomlinson, Constable

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

In April of 2011, Leslie Dakin, Jr. was elected to his 2nd term as a member of the Board of Selectmen.

Buildings

The Selectmen plan on continuing the repairs on Town Buildings with funding approved by Town Meeting for the Parting Ways Building. Last year a new roof and insulation was installed, this year we will be replacing the exterior Shingles and painting.

Celebrations

In the spirit of the Sesquicentennial celebration, the Board and Members of the committee held the car show on Main Street, this past summer. Even with the threat of stormy weather the turnout was tremendous. Our local restaurants participated and were a big hit but the stars of the event were the antique cars.

Energy

This past year the Selectmen have been working closely with the Planning Board and Alternative Energy Committee on Solar Farm regulations. Acushnet has its first Solar Farm being built with proposals for additional sites underway. The Board is aware of the financial benefit Solar Farms can be to the Town but they understand the importance to quality of life issues for the residents.

Finance

It may seem like old news but once again Powers & Sullivan, Inc. and the Department of revenue issued the Town a clean audit report. It's a record the Finance Team and Selectmen are extremely proud of and will make every effort to continue in the future.

Historic Renovation

The Board working with the Historic Commission and with help of the Community Preservation Committee and Town Meeting are planning on restoring the Carriage House at the historic Friend's Meeting House. Once complete the Carriage House will not only replicate the original structure, but have multi uses for many events.

Golf Course

Even with the difficult economic times the Selectmen and Golf Advisory Committee have been able to keep the Golf Course profitable, and maintain its status as one of the area's best public courses. We ask everyone to dust off those clubs and hope for great weather
Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Dakin, Jr., Chairman
David E. Wojnar
Kevin Gaspar, Sr.

Alan G. Coutinho
Town Administrator

Lisa Leonard
Christine Amaral
Administrative Assistants

OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Leslie Dakin, Jr.	2011
Kevin Gaspar, Sr.	2012
David E. Wojnar	2013

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Alan G. Coutinho

TOWN ACCOUNTANT/DIRECTOR OF FINANCES

Cathy L. Doane

TOWN TREASURER

Katherine Milligan

TOWN COLLECTOR

Kristie A. Costa

TAX TITLE CUSTODIAN

Katherine Milligan

TOWN COUNSEL

Kopelman & Paige

TOWN INSURANCE BROKER

Hub International Insurance

POLICE CHIEF

Michael G. Alves

FIRE CHIEF / EMS DIRECTOR

Kevin A. Gallagher

ADA COORDINATOR

Alan G. Coutinho

ALTERNATIVE ENERGY COMMITTEE

Alan Coutinho
Jim Marot
John Roy
David Wojnar
Henry Young

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER/INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Rebekah A. Tomlinson

ASSISTANT ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Catherine Mindlin

ACUSHNET WOODS PROJECT COMMITTEE

Marc Cenerizio
Alan G. Coutinho
Leslie Dakin, Jr.
George J. Gracia
June E. Lemrise
Cathy Murray
John Pacheco

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Connie Carr	Charlotte Coutinho
Donna Forand	Florence Hathaway
Carol Charbonneau	
Joyce Reynolds	

BOARD OF APPEALS

Lawrence Marshall	2016
Richard Gula	2012
Richard J. Lally	2013
Carol Westgate	2014
Paul B. Hipolito (Chair)	2015
Kevin Dakin(Alternate)	2012
Charles Leonard (Alternate)	2012

BUILDING BOARD OF APPEALS

Raymond F. LeBlanc	2016
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INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

James A. Marot

DEPUTY BUILDING INSPECTOR

Steven M. Pina

GAS INSPECTOR

Raymond N. LaFrance, Gas Inspector
(Appointed by Building Commissioner)

PLUMBING DEPARTMENT

Raymond N. LaFrance, (Acting) Plumbing Inspector
(Appointed by Building Commissioner)

WIRE INSPECTOR

Frank Knox

DEPUTY WIRE INSPECTORS

Thomas DeCosta
Victor Pereira

BY-LAW REVIEW COMMITTEE

Leslie Dakin, Jr.	2012
Pamela Labonte	2012
Marc Laplante	2012
Raymond LeBlanc	2012
James A. Marot	2012
Leo Rousseau	2012
Carol Westgate	2012
John Howcroft	2012
Charles Leonard	2012
Norval Stanley	2012

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Andre Arsenault	2012
Evelyn L. Bouley	2013
Marc Cenerizio (Planning Commission)	2014
Kevin Dakin (Conservation Commission)	2013
Michael Desrosiers (Park Commissioners)	2012
Geraldine D. Frates (Citizen Member)	2014
Karen L. Knox	2014
Lawrence Mulvey (Housing Authority)	2013
Joyce Reynolds (Historical Commission)	2013

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Marc C. Brodeur	2012
Kevin Dakin	2013
Richard Gula	2013
Everett Philla	2013
Patricia Picard	2013
Evelyn Bouley	2014
Ted Cioper	2014
Robert Rocha, Jr.	2014

CONSERVATION AGENT

Merilee Kelly

CONSTABLES

Frank J. Adesso	2013
Marc E. Laplante	2013
Kelli A. Tomlinson	2013
Herve W. Vandal, Jr.	2013
Rebekah Tomlinson	2012

COUNCIL ON AGING

Paulette Hudson	2012
Cynthia Lundrigan	2012
Alfred Gonsalves	2013
Dorothy Gomes	2013
Pauline Teixeira	2013
Irene Bouchard	2013
Gerard Bergeron	2014

COUNCIL ON AGING DIRECTOR

Heather Sylvia

CULTURAL COUNCIL MEMBER

Jeannette Francis	2012
Patricia Mulvey	2012
Linda Olsen	2012
Carole Hall	2013
Edward Macomber	2013
Dianna Couto	2014
Walter S. Dalton, Jr.	2014
Lisa Leonard	2014

ELECTION INSPECTORS

Catherine Audette	Louise Benoit
Lillian Contois	Jenny Correia
Simonne Coutinho, Warden	Dianna Couto, Warden
Suzanne Deterra	Jeanne Duggan
Diane Ferreira, Clerk	Donna Forand
Lee Forand, Clerk	Joanne Fournier
Lorraine Gentili	Dorothy Gomes, Clerk
Marie Hardy	Paulette Hudson
Maria Moore	Margaret Mota
Faye Philla, Warden	Priscilla Santos
Joyce Wylie-Scholz	Susanne Sounik
Anita Tetreault	Janet West

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (DIRECTOR)

Gerard Bergeron

EMPOWERMENT REPRESENTATIVES

David E. Wojnar
Alan G. Coutinho

ENFORCEMENT AGENT FOR THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

James A. Marot

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Michael Boucher	2012
Roger Cabral	2012
Susan Delgado	2012
Robert Ferreira	2013
Jack Gomes	2013
Robert St. Jean	2013
Jack Gomes	2013
Cheryl Souza	2014
Paul Pelletier	2014 resigned

FOREST WARDEN, INSPECTOR OF GARAGES

Kevin A. Gallagher

GOLF MANAGEMENT & OPERATIONAL COMMITTEE

John Abaray, Jr. (Member at Large)	2012
Robert Ferreira (Finance Committee Rep.)	2012
David Flynn (Member at Large)	2012
Manuel Goulart (Business Community Rep.)	2012
Edward Issac (Member-at-Large)	2012

HERRING WARDEN

Ted Govoni

ASSISTANT HERRING WARDEN

Joseph G. Costa

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Joyce Reynolds	2012
Madeline Gwozdz	2013
Pauline Teixeira	2013
Robert Hall	2013

HOUSING PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE

Henry Young	2012
Richard Threfall	2013

INSPECTOR OF GARAGES

Kevin A. Gallagher

INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Eric Arruda	2012
Jeremy Fontes	2012
Paul Fortin	2012
Maria Otocky	2012
Sue Picard	2012
John Roy	2012

LIBRARY/COMMUNITY CENTER FEASIBILITY STUDY COMMITTEE

Al Amaral	Donna Forand	Kristen Leotti	Jim Marot
Henry Preston	Henry Young	Jayne Viveiros	

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT/INSPECTOR OF PEST CONTROL

Daniel Menard

O.C.V.R.T.H.S. DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Maurice St. Amand
Evelyn Bouley
Leo Coons
Linda Enos (resigned)

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

Marc Cenerizio	2013
Robert Rocha	2013
Merilee Kelly	2013

PARKING CLERK

Alan G. Coutinho

PHASE II STORMWATER COMMITTEE

Marc Cenerizio (Planning Commission)
Alan Coutinho (Town Administrator)
Merilee Kelly (Conservation Agent)
James Marot (Building Inspector)
Daniel Menard (Highway Superintendent)
Ralph Urban (Board of Health Agent)

PORTABLE SIGN COMMITTEE

James A. Marot

PPWG - HARBOR TRUSTEE COUNCIL MEMBER

Stephen Morrisseau

PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATOR

Leslie Dakin, Jr.

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

Michael J. Sylvia	2012 (resigned)
Jeannie Soucy	2013
Irene DeCotis	2014

SAFETY COMMITTEE

Michael Alves (Police Chief)	2012
Alan G. Coutinho (Town Admin.)	2012
Kevin Gallagher (Fire Chief)	2012
James Marot (Bldg. Insp.)	2012
Paul Sylvia (Board of Public Works)	2012

SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES

Theodore Machado

SHELLFISH WARDEN/HARBOR MASTER

Stephen Morrisseau

DEPUTY SHELLFISH WARDEN

Robert Medeiros

SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD

Marc Cenerizio (Planning Commission Rep.)
Leslie Dakin, Jr. (Board of Selectmen Rep.)
Merilee Kelly (Conservation Agent)
Robert Medeiros (Board of Health Rep.)
Paul Sylvania (Board of Public Works Rep.)
Ralph Urban (Soil Conservation Board Inspector)

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER OF NEW BEDFORD WATER WORKS

Paul Sylvania

S.R.P.E.D.D. - J.T.P.G. MEMBERS

Henry Young

S.R.T.A. ADVISORY COMMISSION MEMBERS

Leslie Dakin, Jr.

STREET NAME COMMITTEE

Michael Alves (Police Chief)
Kevin Gallagher (Fire Chief)

TILCON CAPALDI CLOSURE PLAN COMMITTEE

Raymond LeBlanc
David E. Wojnar

VETERANS' AGENT, DIRECTOR OF VETERANS' SERVICES

Veterans Burial Agent for Indigent Soldiers & Sailors
& Veterans Grave Officer (C115 S7 & 9)

Ronald Cormier

(TILCON CAPALDI) WEIGHER

Kerrie Almeida	2012
Ron Burke	2012
Antone DeMello	2012
Sarah FitzGerald	2012
Rick Leaver	2012
Katherine Lena	2012
Mike Oliveira	2012
Johathan Souza	2012
Filomenia Yuille	2012



REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Acushnet:

The current Board of Assessors is: Matthew Lopes, Chairman, Liberio Soares, Member, and Marc Cenerizio, Member. The office staff consists of Kelly A. Koska, M.A.A., Principal Assessor, and Suzanne Picard, Senior clerk.

Marc Cenerizio won a third term as a Board member in 2011. He ran without opposition for this position. Mr. Cenerizio has been a vital member of the Board of Assessors for the past five years, and we are happy to have him serve for another three years. Congratulations to his successful run!

Fiscal 2012 (assessments as of January 1, 2011) is an interim adjustment year for the Town of Acushnet. Full fair cash values for this tax cycle were determined through the analysis of arms length sales that took place from June 2009 through December 2010. Residential property owners will see their actual assessments reflect this timeframe. The Department of Revenue, Bureau of Local Assessments, historically requires communities to complete a revaluation every three years. Due to staff cuts at the state level, Acushnet has been reassigned for its next revaluation year to be FY 2014. However, interim adjustments will take place each year to adjust data to be comparable to the assessment year's real estate market.

Fiscal 2012 was also the third year executing QUARTERLY tax billing for the Town of Acushnet. Taxpayers received their FIRST and SECOND quarters PRELIMINARY bills on July 1, 2010. Due to issues with the commitment process having difficulties in efficiently uploading accurate assessment data, the preliminary tax run was committed based on Fiscal 2011 data. Fortunately the problems were rectified and the Fiscal 2012 ACTUAL tax commitment executed successfully, and taxpayers received their mailing including the THIRD and FOURTH quarter installment coupons on December 31, 2011. As a reminder the actual billing statements do have the newly certified assessment information listed on them as well as the current year's newly approved tax rate by the Department of Revenue. Quarterly tax billing has been a beneficial change for the Town's financial obligations as well as providing consistent bill dates for the taxpayers.

The Assessors' office generated \$138,051 in new growth. This amount has decreased from previous years but is reflective of the decline in new construction and building improvements. Though this amount has decreased over the past several years it does

assist with alleviating the burden of raising the needed revenue to run the Town through taxation. The economic crisis now faced by us locally as well as nationally has impacted this number dramatically.

The tax rate for FY 2011 reflects a 20% shift. This translates in to the real properties classified as commercial or industrial and personal property paying a 20% higher rate than those that are residential. By statute, this decision is rendered by the Board of Selectmen with a recommendation from the Board of Assessors.

The fifth committed apportioned installments for the Phase II Sewer betterment was committed in Fiscal 2011 for those taxpayers who were assessed this improvement in June 2007 by the Board of Public Works. Taxpayers can also pay down on their remaining balances throughout the year. They can also pay off the betterment completely at any time. If they plan to do so, a written request should be submitted to the Assessors' office in order for the proper interest due to be calculated and committed to the Collector's office.

The Board of Health tie-in loans apportioned installments for Fiscal 2011 were also committed. As of Fiscal 2012, 92 properties took advantage of this loan program. The staff in the Assessors' office is available to answer any questions property owners may have regarding this loan or other special assessments.

The Board of Assessors wishes everyone continued good health and best wishes for the 2012.

TAX SUMMARY	<u>FY 2011</u>	<u>FY 2012</u>
Total Amount to be raised	\$ 27,040,316.62	\$ 27,701,330.09
Total estimated receipts from other revenue sources	\$ 13,967,576.00	\$ 14,174,544.00
TAX LEVY	\$ 13,072,740.62	\$ 13,526,786.09

VALUE BY CLASS	<u>FY 2011</u>	<u>FY 2012</u>
Single Family (101)	\$ 904,092,900.00	\$ 851,324,800.00
Condominiums (102)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
2 & 3 Family (104 & 105)	\$ 43,640,520.00	\$ 39,963,200.00
Multi Family (111-125)	\$ 6,137,400.00	\$ 5,853,000.00
Vacant land (130-132,106)	\$ 32,665,400.00	\$ 30,084,100.00
Others (103,109, Res mixed use)	\$ 53,971,492.00	\$ 61,784,700.00
Commercial (3**)	\$ 21,105,100.00	\$ 20,497,600.00
Chapter 61, 61A, 61B	\$ 1,221,158.00	\$ 1,767,764.00
Industrial (4**)	\$ 26,133,700.00	\$ 24,822,500.00
Personal Property	\$ 26,817,834.00	\$ 29,370,217.00

TAX RATE FY 2012

Residential = \$ 12.47
(120% shift)

Commercial/Industrial/Personal Property = \$ 15.23

AVERAGE ASSESSED VALUE SINGLE FAMILY HOME \$ 265,100.00

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew Lopes, Chairman
Liberio Soares, Member
Marc Cenerizio, Member
ACUSHNET BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Report of
THE TOWN CLERK

Births, Marriages and Deaths
Vital Statistics 2011

BIRTHS:

In Acushnet	0
In other Municipalities	62
<i>Total</i>	62
Resident	62
Non-Resident	0
<i>Total</i>	62
Male	33
Female	29
<i>Total</i>	62

MARRIAGES:

In Acushnet	14
In other Municipalities	31
<i>Total</i>	45
Resident Bride and Groom	23
Resident Groom	1
Resident Bride	6
Non-Resident Bride and Groom	15
<i>Total</i>	45

DEATHS:

In Acushnet	16
In other Municipalities	54
Total	70
Resident Deaths - Female	36
Resident Deaths - Male	34
Non-Resident Deaths - Female	0
Non-Resident Deaths - Male	0
<i>Total</i>	70

Attest:

Pamela A. Labonte
Town Clerk

Town Clerk Report 2011

The Town Clerk's Office primarily provides information and keeps records for the residents of Acushnet. The Town Clerk is the administrator of all elections and a Registrar of Voters. The additional services provided by this office are copies of vital records; voter registration; fishing and wildlife licenses; dog licenses; marriage licenses; business certificates; raffle permits; zoning, and general bylaws; town meeting article certifications, and archival research.

2011 Elections & Town Meetings:

In this area, the Town Clerk's Office was relatively quiet in 2011 with only 1 Election and 2 Town Meetings. They included the following:

Annual Town Election – April 4th
Annual/Special Town Meeting – May 23rd
Special Town Meeting – October 24th

2011 Initiatives:

- Installed the new Elections/Ethics/Boards & Commissions Tracking System which maintains a database of all employees, elected/appointed officials, volunteers & vendors of the town. This system is utilized to fulfill the new state requirements of everyone in tracking the completion of the new on-line training of the updated 2010 Conflict of Interest Law which is required every two years along with an annual Open Meeting Law notification.
- Updated Acushnet's population count through the annual town census and verified voter registration rolls. This information, as dictated by Massachusetts General Law was compiled and recorded in the annual Street Listing of Residents and resulted in an updated population of 10,301 residents.
- In December, the 2010 Federal Census Redistricting Project was completed. The population, under Federal Law, must be equally distributed (within +/- 5%) amongst the voting precincts. As a result and due to population shifts and growth within town the 2010 project affected 330 households and 573 voters.
- Successfully, rolled out the States new VIP program, which now allows cities and towns to register birth certificates on line with the State Registry of Vitals. This is the first step in streamlining the recording and access of all vitals, including birth, marriage and death records on line.

- Phase two of the Archives Management System (AMS) which was set for early spring of 2011 was delayed. However, all designated documents were approved for destruction by the State Archives Division.
- As the Town Clerk, I completed the first year of a three year program offered in July by the New England Municipal Clerks Institute (NEMCI). This is the first step in becoming a New England Municipal Certified Town Clerk.
- 2011 marked the final year that the Town Clerk’s Office will offer Fish & Game Wildlife licenses. This was a difficult decision, as many residents and non residents utilize this service, however due to new requirements and fees implemented by the Wildlife and Fisheries Division, it was determined in the best interest of the town and those purchasing the licenses for the clerks office to no longer continue the service.

Financial Update

Below is a recap of all fees collected in the Town Clerk’s Office:

General Ledger Accounts	FY2011 Revenue	FY2010 Revenue	FY2009 Revenue
Dog Licenses	\$21,181	\$17,770	\$16,294
Business Certificates	\$1,580	2,640	2,920
Town Clerk Fees*	\$7,745	10,245	10,515
Town Clerk Late Fees	\$3,185	3,600	1,560
Total Revenue	\$33,621	\$34,255	\$31,289

* Includes fees for vital records certified copies, marriage intention applications, by-law & resident books, copies, etc.

2012 Initiatives

- Mailings and personal phone calls will be completed for each household affected by the 2010 redistricting which is effective January 1, 2012. These notifications will target all of the affected households in anticipation of minimizing disruption for the voters and election staff during the upcoming elections.
- The final phase and destruction of designated documents of the Archives Management System (AMS) is scheduled to take place in the spring of

2012. This will include the destruction/shredding of the estimated 12,000+ lbs. of documents currently held in the Town Hall basement.

- The scanning and digitizing of vital records including, births, marriages and deaths is scheduled to continue and once completed the hardcopies will be bound and archived.
- Rollout of the new Animal Dog Licensing Program is scheduled for early to late spring.
- As Town Clerk, I intend to enroll in the 2nd year of the three year, New England Municipal Clerks Institute (NEMCI) certification program.
- The Town Clerk's Office will be extremely busy in 2012, with 4 scheduled elections:
 - March 6th – Presidential Preference Primary
 - April 2nd – Annual Town Election
 - September 6th – State Primary
 - November 6th – Presidential/State Election

In Conclusion: The Town Clerk's Office would like to thank all those that made 2011 another successful year. The three essential individuals deserving a special thank you are: Rachel Charbonneau, Nancy Clerc and Irene Decotis. During the election, town meetings, legislative deadlines, and day to day events, each always maintained their professionalism and sense of humor. I am honored to work with such a great group of individuals and so thankful they were here to assist me in serving the residents of the Town of Acushnet.

In addition, I also want to thank all those that assisted this office throughout the year, including all department heads and all appointed and elected officials. As I began my second term as Town Clerk, they also allowed me the opportunity to continue working with those dedicated to helping others, making a difference and working for the greater good of the residents of Acushnet.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela A. Labonte
Town Clerk

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash

July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011

Balances per Reconciled Bank Statements

Cape Cod Five Savings Bank	Money Market	857,713.62
Cape Cod Five Savings Bank	Sewer Account	1,313,841.01
Bristol County Saving Bank	CPA Account	660,973.01
Bristol County Savings Bank	Depository Account	2,241,484.93
Bristol County Savings Bank	Money Market	1,474,304.46
Bristol County Savings Bank	Stabilization	1,795,778.45
Bristol County Savings Bank	School Lunch	247,247.56
Bristol County Savings Bank	Collector's Account	58,393.68
Citizens Bank & Trust	Investment Account	257.46
Citizens Bank & Trust	Checking Account	900,244.11
Citizens Bank & Trust	Money Market	138,276.68
Rockland Trust	Money Market	367,963.91
Rockland Trust	Payroll Account	28.35
Rockland Trust	Golf Course	435,622.09
Rockland Trust	Sewer Account	199,550.28
Rockland Trust	Vendor Account	23.28
Uni-Pay		<u>94,202.79</u>
		10,785,905.67
Deposits in Transit and Cash on Hand		2,150.00
Bartholomew Various Town Trusts		594,904.16
Bristol County & Trust Various Town Trusts		346,769.02
Bristol County & Trust Planning Board		<u>90,890.78</u>

Total of All Cash and Investments for the Town

\$11,820,619.63

I hereby certify that the foregoing schedule, setting forth the total cash in the custody of the Treasurer, is in agreement with the general ledger controls and the Auditors Report.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine A. Milligan
Treasurer

**RECEIPTS
FISCAL YEAR 2011**

GENERAL FUND

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

Prior Years		\$	1,295.00
2010			666.00
2011			368,945.00
Total Personal Property Taxes		\$	370,906.00

REAL ESTATE TAXES

Prior Years		\$	-
2008			
2009			
2010			127,171.00
2011			12,354,819.00
Total Real Estate Taxes		\$	12,481,990.00

TAX LIENS REDEEMED

Prior Years		\$	93,899.00
Total Tax Liens Redeemed		\$	93,899.00

TAX LIENS FORECLOSED

Prior Years		\$	-
Total Tax Liens Foreclosed		\$	-

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

Prior Years		\$	1,462.00
2005			530.00
2006			344.00
2007			1,233.00
2008			3,208.00
2009			11,754.00
2010			166,154.00
2011			817,986.00
Total Motor Vehicle Excise		\$	1,002,671.00

FARM EXCISE

		\$	-
Total Farm Excise		\$	-

PENALTIES AND INTEREST

Personal Property Tax	\$	2,192.00
Real Estate Tax		38,591.00
Motor Vehicle Excise		49,351.00
Tax Liens Redeemed		21,157.00
Total Penalties and Interest	\$	<u>111,291.00</u>

RUBBISH

Rubbish Revenue	\$	9,137.00
Liens		-
Total Rubbish	\$	<u>9,137.00</u>

FEES

Police Detail	\$	5,533.00
Cable		1,659.00
Lien Certificates		18,670.00
Town Clerk Late Fees		3,185.00
Non - Renewal Motor Vehicles		8,220.00
Boarding		400.00
Constable		95.00
Total Fees	\$	<u>37,762.00</u>

OTHER DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE

Assessors	\$	423.00
Selectmen		-
Treasurer		-
Collector		52.00
Town Clerk		7,745.00
Conservation		-
Planning Board		3,800.00
Appeal Board		2,975.00
Police		1,033.00
Fire		3,487.00
Building		441.00
Weights & Measures		210.00
Board of Health		29,953.00
Library		476.00
Miscellaneous Revenue		12,358.00
Total Other Departmental Revenue	\$	<u>62,953.00</u>

LICENSES

Business	\$	1,580.00
Drain Layers		1,100.00
Liquor		12,100.00
Victualers		2,425.00
Amusement		2,660.00
Motor Vehicles		1,425.00
Constable		-
Dog		21,181.00
Total Licenses	\$	<u>42,471.00</u>

PERMITS

Oil Burner	\$	435.00
Building		30,594.00
Electrical		8,975.00
Gas		4,620.00
Board of Health		11,850.00
Plumbing		6,065.00
Soil Removal		1,950.00
Gun		2,912.00
Street Opening		100.00
Trench		330.00
Total Permits	\$	<u>67,831.00</u>

FINES AND FORFEITURES

Dog	\$	7,540.00
Library		3,784.00
Building Violations		-
Parking		285.00
Total Fines and Forfeitures	\$	<u>11,609.00</u>

SALES OF INVENTORY

Cemetery Lots	\$	-
Total Sales of Inventory	\$	<u>-</u>

STATE SHARED REVENUE

Abatements to the Blind	\$	788.00
Abatements to the Elderly		27,108.00
Abatements to Veterans		28,917.00
Abatements to Surviving Spouse		350.00

Veterans Benefits	132,634.00
Highway Funds	-
Additional Assistance	-
Lottery Funds	1,282,445.00
Court Fines	75.00
Registry Fines	6,160.00
Other State	33.00
School Chapter 70	6,007,556.00
Tuition Revenue	-
School Transportation	-
Charter School Reimb	-
Police Career Incentive - Quinn Bill	3,592.00
Total State Shared Revenue	\$ 7,489,658.00

REIMBURSEMENTS

Medicare D Reimbursement	\$ 18,871.00
Municipal Medicaid Reimbursement	48,802.00
Bullet Proof Vests Reimbursement	13,360.00
FEMA Disaster Reimbursement	7,284.00
Total Reimbursements	\$ 88,317.00

EARNINGS ON INVESTMENTS

Interest on Investments	\$ 27,093.00
Total Earnings on Investments	\$ 27,093.00

INTERFUND TRANSFERS

From Enterprise Funds	\$ -
From Special Revenue Funds	306,584.00
From Trust & Agency Funds	206,000.00
Total Interfund Transfers	\$ 512,584.00

TOTAL GENERAL FUND **\$ 22,410,172.00**

SCHOOL LUNCH FUND **\$ 307,907.00**

HIGHWAY CHAPTER 90 **\$ 338,124.00**

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Animal Gift Fund	\$ 650.00
EECBG Sub-Grant	75,000.00

Cable Ed & Gov. Access	10,000.00
P.E.G. Access	60,477.00
Emer. Mgt. Perform Grant	-
Police SCAT Grant	-
Law Enforcement Trust	256.00
SETB Support Incentive Grant	27,979.00
Gov. Highway Safety Grant	1,479.00
SETB 911 Training Grant	850.00
COA Strong Woman Grant	6,215.00
COA Van Gift Fund	11,269.00
Police Reimbursable	13,360.00
FEMA Disaster Recovery	7,284.00
Library LIG/MEG/NRC	11,070.00
Library Gift Fund	400.00
Public Library Fund Grant	-
LSTA Fed. Library Grant	-
Celebrations Gift Fund	5,630.00
Partingways Beautification	-
Title V	3,465.00
Arts Lottery Council	3,876.00
Council On Aging Grant	13,636.00
Council On Aging Gift Fund	5,868.00
Notice Of Intent - Conservation	2,278.00
Buzzards Bay Watershed Grant	-
Conservation Revolving Fund	1,490.00
E.M.S. Fund	384,351.00
Lake Street Gaurdrails Grant	-
One Time Gift Fund	1,965.00
BOH Pher H1N1 Grants	(4,469.00)
Insurance Reimbursement	21,179.00
Outside Ads	-
Fed. Asst. To Firefighters	-
FEMA Grant	-
SRPEDD Homeland Security Grant	4,023.00
Sept 11 Memorial Gift Fund	17,873.00
Fire S.A.F.E Grant	4,815.00
Fire Safety Equipment Grant	-
Fire Department Gift Fund	-
Veterans Memorial Park Gift Fund	200.00
SMHG Health Reimbursement	136,336.00
Park Dept. Gift Fund	5,855.00
Long Plain Museum Repair Grant	-
Sewer Tie-in Administration	-
Sewer Tie-In Restricted Grants	-
Sewer Tie-In Loan Program	76,139.00
Sewer Phase 2 Betterment	500,286.00

Community Policing Grant	-
ARAW Grant	2,000.00
COA Walmart Grant	1,500.00
COA Buzzards Bay Garden Club Grant	250.00
TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$ 1,414,835.00

SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Title I	\$ 112,049.00
ARRA - Title 1	33,386.00
Title II P.L. 94-142	250,527.00
Federal ARRA IDEA Grant	154,285.00
Early Childhood Grant	6,572.00
Early Childhood SPED ARRA	6,012.00
Drug Free School	1,057.00
Ford Middle School Fund	20,925.00
School Building Rental	27,380.00
Elementary School Fund	17,169.00
Teacher Quality in Education	34,797.00
Enhanced Education	-
Non - Resident Tuition Revolving Fund	-
Race to Top Grant	4,300.00
Education Jobs Grant	69,714.00
SPED Program Improvement Grant	-
SPED Circuit Breaker	186,524.00
Full Day Kindergarten Program	86,512.00
Kindergarten Enhancement Grant	46,400.00
Preschool Program	10,874.00
ARRA State Fiscal Stabilization Fund	32,251.00
TOTAL SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$ 1,100,734.00

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND **\$ 160,163.00**

WATER SPECIAL REVENUE FUND **\$ 1,085,650.00**

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS **\$ -**

SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND **\$ 444,332.00**

GOLF COURSE ENTERPRISE FUND **\$ 1,325,864.00**

TRUST FUNDS

Contributions	\$ 7,578.00
Transfers	325,389.00
Interest & Earning on Investments	26,401.00
TOTAL TRUST FUNDS	<u>\$ 359,368.00</u>

GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS **\$ 28,947,149.00**

Attest:
Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

**APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FISCAL YEAR 2011**

	FY 2011 APPROP.	FY 2011 EXPEND.
RESERVE FUND 1110		
F.B. Reserve Fund	\$ 9,555.00	\$ 0.00
Total Reserve Fund	9,555.00	0.00
TOWN MEETING 1113		
Town Meeting / Election	8,400.00	8,400.00
Total Town Meeting	8,400.00	8,400.00
MODERATOR 1114		
Salary	660.00	660.00
Supplies	30.00	0.00
In - State Travel	9.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	40.00	0.00
Total Moderator	739.00	660.00
SELECTMEN 1122		
Stipends - Selectmen	15,749.00	15,749.00
Salaries - Town Administrator	96,148.00	96,148.00
Salaries - Clerical	58,829.00	58,499.00
Salaries - Special Project Manager	9,289.00	9,289.00
Salaries - Temporary	1,980.00	1,478.00
Longevity	700.00	700.00
R. & M. Vehicles	750.00	269.00
Special Article - Historical	500.00	450.00
Special Article - School Facility Com.	0.00	0.00
Special Article - DEP Site Assessment	200.00	0.00
Special Article - Job Classification	5,000.00	4,000.00
Engineering Fees	0.00	0.00
Consulting / Grant Writer	0.00	0.00
Telephone	2,475.00	2,116.00
Comm. Reverse 911	10,400.00	7,525.00
Communications - Advertising	4,000.00	2,333.00
Office Supply	1,225.00	1,211.00
Training & Testing	400.00	305.00
Town Report / Warrant	4,000.00	3,928.00
Meeting Expenses	100.00	63.00
Travel	500.00	326.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	1,600.00	1,593.00
Special Article - Communication Equipment	0.00	0.00
Total Selectmen	213,845.00	205,982.00

	FY 2011 APPROP.	FY 2011 EXPEND.
FINANCE COMMITTEE 1131		
Salaries - Clerical	2,025.00	1,214.00
Office Supplies	150.00	0.00
Travel	0.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	400.00	0.00
Total Finance Committee	2,575.00	1,214.00
FINANCE DIRECTOR 1133		
Salaries - Director of Finance	11,462.00	11,462.00
Total Finance Director	11,462.00	11,462.00
TOWN ACCOUNTANT 1135		
Salaries - Town Accountant	71,799.00	71,799.00
Salaries - Accounting Clerk	32,276.00	32,266.00
Salaries - Billing Clerk	8,081.00	8,081.00
Longevity	300.00	300.00
Auditing	21,000.00	21,000.00
GASB 45 Valuation	8,000.00	8,000.00
Telephone	1,100.00	1,039.00
Office Supplies	1,300.00	1,300.00
Travel	848.00	799.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	352.00	352.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
Special Article - GASB 45 Implementation	0.00	0.00
Special Article - GASB 34	12,493.00	500.00
Total Town Accountant	157,549.00	145,436.00
ASSESSORS 1141		
Stipends - Assessors	7,700.00	7,700.00
Salaries - Assistant Assessor	50,429.00	50,429.00
Salaries - Clerical	32,176.00	32,049.00
Salaries - Overtime	1,000.00	950.00
Longevity	600.00	600.00
R. & M. Office Equipment	175.00	0.00
Telephone	800.00	700.00
Printing & Binding	360.00	360.00
Communications - Advertising	300.00	76.00

	FY 2011 APPROP.	FY 2011 EXPEND.
Training	800.00	700.00
Plot Plans	3,100.00	905.00
Reg. Deeds/Probate	200.00	0.00
Office Supplies	800.00	780.00
Travel	500.00	167.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	300.00	280.00
Management Consulting	5,000.00	5,000.00
Software Expense	4,260.00	1,260.00
Cama License Fee	8,100.00	6,100.00
Special Article - Server Migration	3,000.00	2,788.00
Special Article - Server	5,000.00	4,888.00
Triennial Certification	24,500.00	24,470.00
Total Assessors	149,100.00	140,202.00

TOWN TREASURER 1145

Salaries - Town Treasurer	56,223.00	56,223.00
Salaries - Clerical	33,993.00	33,982.00
Salaries - Temporary	0.00	0.00
Salaries - Overtime	500.00	0.00
Longevity	0.00	0.00
Legal - Land Court	18,800.00	5,426.00
Loan Expense	2,500.00	1,500.00
Telephone	1,500.00	977.00
Communications - Advertising	1,000.00	0.00
Reg. Deeds / Probate	1,250.00	830.00
Office Supplies	2,200.00	2,143.00
Postage	23,600.00	23,470.00
Travel	1,200.00	909.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	300.00	215.00
Bonding	675.00	675.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
Total Town Treasurer	143,741.00	126,350.00

TOWN COLLECTOR 1146

Salaries - Town Collector	45,131.00	45,131.00
Salaries - Clerical	32,054.00	32,046.00
Salaries - Temporary	2,500.00	2,427.00
Salaries - Overtime	200.00	131.00
Longevity	500.00	500.00
R. & M. Office Equipment	0.00	0.00
Tax Bills	2,800.00	2,136.00

	FY 2011 APPROP.	FY 2011 EXPEND.
Telephone	800.00	545.00
Communication - Advertising	2,700.00	1,877.00
Registry Recordings	3,817.00	1,737.00
Office Supplies	1,500.00	1,485.00
Travel/Meals	1,000.00	586.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	140.00	140.00
Bonding	1,283.00	1,283.00
Additional Equipment	300.00	300.00
Total Town Collector	94,725.00	90,324.00

TOWN COUNSEL 1151

Legal - Land Court	78,000.00	76,607.00
Total Town Counsel	78,000.00	76,607.00

DATA PROCESSING 1155

Salaries - Systems Administrator	4,392.00	4,392.00
Internet Services	7,932.00	7,932.00
Internet Hardware Lease	3,630.00	1,891.00
Contracted IT Support	5,000.00	5,000.00
Record Archiving	900.00	900.00
Wiring Expense	4,215.00	3,990.00
R. & M. Copier	5,750.00	5,392.00
R. & M. Other	5,399.00	5,399.00
Software Maintenance	54,928.00	54,928.00
Photocopier Supply	2,300.00	2,300.00
Software Expense	0.00	0.00
Backup Software	2,294.00	2,294.00
Antivirus Software	2,405.00	2,404.00
Other Supplies	1,250.00	1,250.00
Training	0.00	0.00
Additional Equipment	11,524.00	11,523.00
Special Article - Munis Training	15,675.00	1,375.00
Total Data Processing	127,594.00	110,970.00

TOWN CLERK 1161

Salaries - Town Clerk	27,537.00	27,537.00
Salaries - Clerical	55,809.00	55,295.00
Salaries - Temporary	1,200.00	1,000.00
Salaries - Overtime	1,200.00	444.00
Longevity	215.00	214.00
R. & M. Office Equipment	293.00	293.00
Vital Statistics	400.00	63.00
Telephone	750.00	730.00
Communications - Advertising	0.00	0.00
Office Supplies	1,400.00	1,370.00

	FY 2011 APPROP.	FY 2011 EXPEND.
Postage	0.00	0.00
Travel	900.00	898.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	225.00	223.00
Bonding	100.00	100.00
Additional Equipment	707.00	707.00
Dog Licenses	600.00	555.00
Special Article - Vital Records	1,709.00	1,709.00
Special Article - CD ROMS	929.00	0.00
Software Expense	2,168.00	1,948.00
Total Town Clerk	96,142.00	93,086.00

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS 1163

Salaries - Temporary	7,682.00	7,682.00
Voting Program Movers	7,113.00	5,168.00
Street Voting / Census	1,800.00	1,794.00
Office Supplies	400.00	400.00
Travel	400.00	399.00
Postage	0.00	0.00
Total Registrar Of Voters	17,395.00	15,443.00

CONSERVATION 1171

Salaries - Agent	33,869.00	33,869.00
Salaries - Clerical	19,302.00	16,630.00
Salaries - Overtime	1,000.00	192.00
Longevity	600.00	471.00
Telephone	500.00	262.00
Communications - Advertising	0.00	0.00
Training & Testing	0.00	0.00
Office Supplies	0.00	0.00
Photo Supplies	0.00	0.00
Travel	0.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	0.00	0.00
Special Article - Employee Vehicle	0.00	0.00
Total Conservation	55,271.00	51,424.00

SOIL BOARD 1172

Salaries - Clerical	1,000.00	1,000.00
Office Supplies	50.00	50.00
Total Soil Board	1,050.00	1,050.00

	FY 2011 APPROP.	FY 2011 EXPEND.
PLANNING BOARD 1175		
Salaries - Agent	5,573.00	5,573.00
Salaries - Clerical	10,678.00	10,669.00
Master Planner	30,900.00	30,900.00
Training & Testing	0.00	0.00
Communications - Advertising	1,000.00	452.00
Other Purchase - Serv. Recording.	200.00	56.00
Registral. Deeds/Update Maps	25.00	0.00
Office Supplies	1,500.00	1,500.00
Master Plan Supplies	750.00	695.00
Travel	0.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	0.00	0.00
Special Article - Zoning By-Law Edits	4,688.00	0.00
Telephone	0.00	0.00
Total Planning Board	55,314.00	49,845.00
BOARD OF APPEALS 1176		
Salaries - Clerical	2,200.00	807.00
Special Article - Prior Year Bills	300.00	300.00
Communications - Advertising	2,000.00	1,213.00
Office Supplies	150.00	0.00
Total Board of Appeals	4,650.00	2,320.00
TOWN HALL COMPLEX 1192		
Salaries - Custodian	37,719.00	37,709.00
Salaries - Temporary	1,000.00	1,000.00
Salaries - Overtime	2,600.00	2,054.00
Longevity	500.00	500.00
Energy	37,500.00	36,162.00
Grass Cutting/Maintenance	0.00	0.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	26,792.00	26,792.00
Supplies	5,166.00	5,166.00
Special Article - Generators	60,000.00	0.00
Special Article - Town Hall Interior Repairs	4,000.00	4,000.00
Special Article - A.D.A. Requirement	9,580.00	4,494.00
Special Article - Town Hall Alarm	6,400.00	6,400.00
Special Article - Town Hall Parking	0.00	0.00
Special Article - Long Plain Restoration	0.00	0.00
Special Article - Long Plain Roof	0.00	0.00
Total Town Hall Complex	191,257.00	124,277.00
BY - LAWS 1197		
Office Supplies	300.00	149.00
Total By - Laws	300.00	149.00

	FY 2011 APPROP.	FY 2011 EXPEND.
POLICE DEPARTMENT 2210		
Salaries - Police Chief	94,418.00	94,418.00
Salaries - Permanent	1,327,719.00	1,327,719.00
Longevity	7,300.00	7,300.00
Clothing Allowance	14,314.00	14,256.00
Vehicle Maintenance	11,000.00	11,000.00
R. & M. Office Equipment	9,500.00	9,500.00
Software Maintenance	9,200.00	9,200.00
Telephone	4,187.00	4,179.00
Training & Testing	1,500.00	1,500.00
Office Supplies	2,250.00	2,250.00
Meals	295.00	295.00
Other Supplies - Hardware/Lockup	19,154.00	19,153.00
Travel	0.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	1,940.00	1,940.00
Special Article - Computer Server	25,000.00	0.00
Special Article - Bullet Proof Vests	9,940.00	650.00
Equipment	33,430.00	33,430.00
Total Police Department	1,571,147.00	1,536,790.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT 2220		
Salaries - Fire Chief	77,677.00	77,677.00
Salaries - Permanent	195,117.00	190,119.00
Salaries - Callmen	45,795.00	39,748.00
Overtime	41,738.00	39,504.00
Longevity	2,800.00	2,700.00
Clothing Allowance	1,475.00	1,475.00
Energy	8,470.00	8,029.00
Water	0.00	0.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	78.00	78.00
R. & M. Equipment	1,922.00	1,398.00
R. & M. Vehicle	4,050.00	3,596.00
Software	595.00	595.00
Radio Repairs	500.00	498.00
Hepatitis B Shots	0.00	0.00
Telephone	2,246.00	2,241.00
Training/CPR/1st Aid	0.00	0.00
Office Supplies	450.00	430.00
Other Supplies	0.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	700.00	630.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
Special Article - Pump & Brake Inspection	5,000.00	4,809.00
Special Article - Fire Computer	1,290.00	1,233.00
Special Article - Fire Station #2	10,000.00	9,524.00
Special Article - Fire/EMS Radio Pagers	0.00	0.00
Special Article - Sewer Tie-In	0.00	0.00
Fire Alarm Inspection	0.00	0.00
Total Fire Department	399,903.00	384,284.00

	FY 2011 APPROP.	FY 2011 EXPEND.
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES 2232		
Salaries - Director	10,710.00	10,710.00
Salaries - Permanent	310,444.00	310,444.00
Salaries - EMT	4,100.00	4,078.00
Salaries - Billing Clerk	7,836.00	7,836.00
Salaries - Overtime	18,322.00	18,322.00
Longevity	200.00	200.00
Clothing Allowance	847.00	811.00
Energy	12,641.00	12,486.00
R. & M. Buildings & Grounds	660.00	660.00
R. & M. Equipment	5,503.00	5,503.00
Physicals	357.00	357.00
Telephone	1,379.00	1,369.00
Training & Testing	399.00	399.00
Collection Expense	0.00	0.00
Office Supplies	1,000.00	992.00
Supplies	396.00	341.00
Software Expense	4,410.00	4,410.00
Vehicle Supplies & Maintenance	3,433.00	3,418.00
Medical & Surgical Supplies	14,314.00	14,309.00
Oxygen	1,305.00	1,305.00
Travel	50.00	50.00
Special Article - EMS Portable Radios	1,096.00	1,096.00
Special Article - CPR Compression Device	13,200.00	12,673.00
Special Article - Ambulance Stretchers	5,134.00	5,134.00
Special Article - Quality Assurance	15,100.00	15,100.00
Special Article - EMS Training	2,000.00	800.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	12,354.00	12,354.00
Additional Equipment/Furniture	215.00	213.00
Special Article - EMS Laptop	4,365.00	4,365.00
Special Article - EMS Software	0.00	0.00
Total Emergency Medical Services	451,770.00	449,735.00

	FY 2011 APPROP.	FY 2011 EXPEND.
BUILDING DEPARTMENT 2241		
Salaries - Building Inspector	53,576.00	53,576.00
Salaries - Commissioner	5,250.00	5,250.00
Salaries - Clerical	16,530.00	16,474.00
Salaries - Temporary	1,400.00	969.00
Salaries - Overtime	0.00	0.00
Salaries - Wire Inspector	10,902.00	10,902.00
Salaries - Deputy Wire Inspector	750.00	275.00
Salaries - Deputy Building Inspector	750.00	175.00
Salaries - Gas/Plumbing Inspector	8,740.00	8,740.00
Salaries - Deputy Gas/Plumbing Inspector	1,000.00	210.00
Longevity	0.00	0.00
Training & Testing	600.00	384.00
Travel	0.00	0.00
R. & M. Equipment	450.00	406.00
Telephone	800.00	519.00
Office Supplies	921.00	795.00
Vehicle Supplies	500.00	306.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	500.00	368.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
Total Building Department	102,669.00	99,349.00
SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES 2244		
Salaries - Permanent Position	1,002.00	1,002.00
Telephone	0.00	0.00
Office Supplies	0.00	0.00
Travel	0.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	0.00	0.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
Total Sealer Of Weights & Measures	1,002.00	1,002.00
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY 2291		
Energy	2,700.00	2,633.00
Repairs/Equipment Maint.	1,000.00	1,000.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	1,150.00	1,150.00
Telephone	550.00	550.00
Internet Services	775.00	736.00
Maintenance & Supplies	500.00	491.00
Disaster Fund	179.00	179.00
Travel	150.00	150.00
Special Article - Garage Doors	3,500.00	3,487.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	0.00	0.00
Additional Equipment/Gear	1,000.00	992.00
Total Emergency Management Agency	11,504.00	11,368.00

	FY 2011 APPROP.	FY 2011 EXPEND.
ANIMAL CONTROL 2292		
Salaries - Director	36,226.00	36,226.00
Longevity	500.00	500.00
Clothing Allowance	113.00	110.00
R. & M. Equipment	300.00	203.00
Telephone	875.00	857.00
Boarding Services	700.00	696.00
Training & Testing	125.00	0.00
Office Supplies	50.00	50.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	0.00	0.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
Total Animal Control	38,889.00	38,642.00
FORESTRY 2294		
Salaries - Tree Warden	150.00	150.00
Tree Removal	3,225.00	3,148.00
Tree Planting	100.00	0.00
Other Supplies	100.00	0.00
Total Forestry	3,575.00	3,298.00
MISCELLANEOUS 2699		
Beautification	1,000.00	999.00
Shellfish Warden/Harbor	100.00	0.00
Herring Inspector	100.00	0.00
Acushnet Cultural Council	2,500.00	2,200.00
Safety Committee	100.00	0.00
Housing Partnership	100.00	0.00
Buzzards Bay Comm.	633.00	633.00
Total Miscellaneous	4,533.00	3,832.00

	FY 2011 APPROP.	FY 2011 EXPEND.
OLD COLONY REGIONAL SCHOOL 3320		
Regional School Tuition	1,629,852.00	1,625,843.00
Total Old Colony Regional School	1,629,852.00	1,625,843.00
ACUSHNET SCHOOL DEPARTMENT 3325, 021		
Expenses	12,320,975.00	11,857,614.00
Special Article - Detention Pond	10,000.00	0.00
School Renov. Bond Principal	120,000.00	120,000.00
School Renov. Bond Interest	71,400.00	71,400.00
Total Acushnet School Department	12,522,375.00	12,049,014.00
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT 4422		
Salaries - Director	27,934.00	27,934.00
Salaries - Permanent	138,320.00	102,300.00
Salaries - Highway Superintendent	52,283.00	37,862.00
Salaries - Clerical	10,799.00	10,784.00
Salaries - Part-Time Clerk	1,700.00	1,700.00
Salaries - Temporary	0.00	0.00
Salaries - Overtime	4,240.00	2,446.00
Longevity	0.00	0.00
Clothing Allowance	4,191.00	4,055.00
Energy	15,000.00	14,994.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	4,000.00	3,350.00
R. & M. Equipment	30,150.00	29,929.00
Rentals & Leases	7,036.00	6,921.00
Engineering Fees	2,500.00	2,208.00
Telephone	2,053.00	1,150.00
Communications - Advertising	1,000.00	733.00
Police Detail	4,000.00	2,864.00
Training & Testing	800.00	510.00
Office Supplies	1,750.00	1,011.00
Gasoline	80,000.00	74,374.00
Personal Safety Supplies	1,100.00	260.00
Road Materials	90,000.00	82,572.00
Travel	100.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships/Licenses	400.00	113.00
Additional Equipment	3,000.00	2,004.00
Special Article - Highway Lawn Mower	96,000.00	6,695.00
Special Article - Dump Truck	47,000.00	162.00
Special Article - Wood Chipper	45,000.00	0.00
Special Article - Barn Security System	10,000.00	9,150.00
Total Highway Department	680,356.00	426,081.00

	FY 2011 APPROP.	FY 2011 EXPEND.
SNOW REMOVAL/ ICE CONTROL 4423		
Snow Removal Emergency	174,357.00	174,356.00
Total Snow Removal/ Ice Control	<u>174,357.00</u>	<u>174,356.00</u>
STREET LIGHTS 4424		
Energy	60,000.00	56,784.00
Total Street Lights	<u>60,000.00</u>	<u>56,784.00</u>
SEMASS 4431		
Salaries - Permanent Position	18,700.00	17,497.00
Curbside Pick-Up	35,266.00	7,805.00
Incinerator - SEMASS	130,000.00	81,914.00
Heavy Pick-Up	12,000.00	5,293.00
Rubbish Removal	450,000.00	428,847.00
Communications - Advertising	3,000.00	94.00
Total SEMASS	<u>648,966.00</u>	<u>541,450.00</u>
CEMETERY 4491		
Salaries - Temporary	5,464.00	5,384.00
R. & M. Equipment	650.00	650.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	400.00	371.00
Office Supplies	5.00	0.00
Building Repairs/Maint/Supply	225.00	55.00
Total Cemetery	<u>6,744.00</u>	<u>6,460.00</u>
HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICES 5510		
Stipends - Board	9,774.00	9,774.00
Salaries - Sanitarian	57,012.00	57,012.00
Salaries - Clerical	33,010.00	32,996.00
Salaries - Temporary	32,054.00	32,046.00
Salaries - Overtime	1,000.00	999.00
Longevity	1,400.00	1,400.00
Clothing Allowance	0.00	0.00
R. & M. Vehicles	100.00	60.00
Physician	900.00	675.00
Prof. Public Health Agency	13,000.00	13,000.00
Telephone	600.00	523.00
Communications - Advertising	374.00	374.00
Training & Testing	0.00	0.00
Office Supplies	750.00	673.00

	FY 2011 APPROP.	FY 2011 EXPEND.
Photocopier Supplies	423.00	411.00
Software Expense	0.00	0.00
Medical & Surgical Supplies	0.00	0.00
Water Testing	0.00	0.00
Travel	50.00	33.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	176.00	160.00
Additional Equipment	200.00	189.00
Total Health Inspection Services	150,823.00	150,325.00

COUNCIL ON AGING 5541

Salaries - Director	27,239.00	27,239.00
Salaries - Temporary	11,032.00	10,739.00
Salaries - Janitorial	5,742.00	5,742.00
Energy	8,300.00	7,561.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	2,550.00	2,500.00
R. & M. Vehicles	950.00	821.00
Telephone	1,000.00	499.00
Alarm Services	700.00	180.00
Internet Services	720.00	720.00
Office Supplies	400.00	400.00
Postage	0.00	0.00
Building Supplies	1,300.00	1,185.00
Nutrition	5,507.00	3,469.00
Travel	0.00	0.00
Total Council On Aging	65,440.00	61,055.00

VETERANS 5543

Salaries - Permanent	17,279.00	17,279.00
Telephone	300.00	254.00
Training & Testing	195.00	30.00
Training/Public Awareness	200.00	58.00
Office Supplies	450.00	264.00
Veterans Benefits	200,000.00	182,463.00
Total Veterans Benefits	218,424.00	200,348.00

LIBRARY 6610

Salaries - Director	51,829.00	51,829.00
Salaries - Asst. Director - Part Time	32,130.00	32,123.00
Salaries - Education	0.00	0.00
Salaries - Tech.	50,490.00	50,472.00
Salaries - Custodian	10,726.00	10,721.00
Longevity	1,195.00	1,194.00
Energy	7,291.00	7,086.00

	FY 2011 APPROP.	FY 2011 EXPEND.
R. & M. Building & Grounds	2,549.00	2,544.00
R. & M. Office Equipment	219.00	219.00
Tech Support	1,040.00	1,040.00
Telephone	780.00	766.00
Education	555.00	555.00
Communications - Advertising	0.00	0.00
Sail Expenses	11,154.00	11,154.00
Office Supplies	1,825.00	1,821.00
Children Ed Supplies	131.00	131.00
Other Supplies	25,525.00	25,525.00
Travel	200.00	196.00
Additional Equipment	0.00	0.00
Special Article - Library Roof Repair	0.00	0.00
Total Library	197,639.00	197,376.00

RECREATION 6630

Energy	6,000.00	6,000.00
Service & Maintenance	332.00	332.00
Telephone	500.00	240.00
Communications - Advertising	600.00	0.00
Summer Youth	7,999.00	7,649.00
Office Supplies	50.00	0.00
Hardware	1,300.00	1,300.00
Additional Equipment	13,611.00	13,599.00
Other Supplies - Athletic, etc.	300.00	300.00
Total Recreation	30,692.00	29,420.00

PARK 6650

Salaries - Permanent	10,476.00	10,476.00
Salaries - Permanent Laborer	9,345.00	9,341.00
Contracted Services	10,950.00	10,950.00
R. & M. Equipment	500.00	500.00
Serv. - Trash Removal	150.00	150.00
Restroom Supplies	175.00	175.00
Park Materials	2,900.00	2,900.00
Special Article - Security Cameras	25,000.00	24,997.00
Total Park	59,496.00	59,489.00

HISTORICAL COMMISSION 6691

Energy	4,850.00	4,611.00
R. & M. Building, & Grounds	350.00	350.00
Telephone / Alarm	1,300.00	1,241.00
Communications - Advertising	0.00	0.00
Special Article - Historic Inventory	78.00	0.00
Special Article - Historical Signs	500.00	0.00
Office Supplies	0.00	0.00

	FY 2011 APPROP.	FY 2011 EXPEND.
Postage	0.00	0.00
Travel	0.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships	0.00	0.00
Total Historical Commission	<u>7,078.00</u>	<u>6,202.00</u>
CELEBRATIONS 6692		
Road Race	1,500.00	1,500.00
Holidays	2,000.00	954.00
Total Celebrations	<u>3,500.00</u>	<u>2,454.00</u>
RETIREMENT OF DEBT 7710		
Long Term Debt - Fire Engine	30,000.00	30,000.00
Long Term Debt - Parting Ways	20,000.00	20,000.00
Total Retirement of Debt	<u>50,000.00</u>	<u>50,000.00</u>
INTEREST 7751		
Long Term Debt Interest	12,340.00	12,340.00
Short Term Debt Interest	0.00	0.00
Total Interest	<u>12,340.00</u>	<u>12,340.00</u>
COUNTY ASSESSMENTS 8830		
County Tax	103,234.00	103,234.00
Total County Assessments	<u>103,234.00</u>	<u>103,234.00</u>
STATE ASSESSMENTS 8850		
Special Education	2,456.00	0.00
School Choice Tuition	5,000.00	0.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	7,820.00	9,860.00
Mosquito Assessment	21,128.00	21,128.00
Air Pollution Assessment	2,731.00	2,731.00
RTA Assessment	26,875.00	26,875.00
SRPEDD	1,642.00	1,641.00
Total State Assessments	<u>67,652.00</u>	<u>62,235.00</u>

	<u>FY 2011 APPROP.</u>	<u>FY 2011 EXPEND.</u>
PENSIONS 1911		
Bristol County Retirement	887,498.00	887,498.00
Social Security	0.00	0.00
Medicare	148,000.00	141,057.00
Total Pensions	<u>1,035,498.00</u>	<u>1,028,555.00</u>
WORKERS COMPENSATION 1912		
Fringe Benefits/Charges	83,908.00	61,027.00
Total Workers Compensation	<u>83,908.00</u>	<u>61,027.00</u>
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION 1913		
Fringe Benefits/Charges	33,538.00	29,176.00
Total Unemployment Compensation	<u>33,538.00</u>	<u>29,176.00</u>
HEALTH INSURANCE 1914		
Blue Cross/Blue Shield Health Insurance	1,431,659.00	1,269,532.00
CRA/Flexible Benefits Plan	8,000.00	2,022.00
Total Health Insurance	<u>1,439,659.00</u>	<u>1,271,554.00</u>
LIABILITY INSURANCE 1945		
Fire/ Police Insurance	23,164.00	16,518.00
Liability Insurance	150,110.00	113,557.00
Total Liability Insurance	<u>173,274.00</u>	<u>130,075.00</u>
TRANSFERS 9999		
Transfers To Capital Project Funds	0.00	0.00
Transfers To Special Revenue Funds	0.00	0.00
Transfers To Enterprise Funds	0.00	0.00
Transfers To Trust & Agency Funds	325,389.00	325,389.00
Total Transfers	<u>325,389.00</u>	<u>325,389.00</u>
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$ <u>23,783,890.00</u>	\$ <u>22,443,743.00</u>

	FY 2011 APPROP.	FY 2011 EXPEND.
SEWER DEPARTMENT 6004440		
Salaries - Director	14,389.00	14,389.00
Salaries - Permanent Labor	18,888.00	8,136.00
Salaries - Clerical	10,631.00	10,631.00
Salaries - Part Time Clerk	6,893.00	1,690.00
Salaries - Billing Clerk	5,494.00	5,494.00
Salaries - Overtime	1,000.00	348.00
Longevity	150.00	150.00
Fringe Benefits - Health/Vacation	7,600.00	2,179.00
Clothing Allowance	875.00	456.00
Energy	8,500.00	8,492.00
Service & Maint. Equipment	3,000.00	68.00
R. & M. Vehicles	2,000.00	929.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	1,000.00	236.00
Software Maintenance	1,000.00	452.00
Maintenance of System	5,500.00	3,810.00
Sewer Pumping - New Bedford	346,000.00	337,783.00
Telephone	1,513.00	1,179.00
Legal Expense	8,000.00	382.00
Engineering Fees	1,000.00	560.00
Training & Testing	250.00	67.00
Gasoline	1,000.00	385.00
Office Supplies	350.00	272.00
Sewer Bills	750.00	442.00
Postage	1,100.00	453.00
Travel	100.00	0.00
Upgrading System	500.00	0.00
Special Article - R & M Sewer	4,500.00	0.00
Special Article - Radio Read System	55,554.00	54,852.00
Additional Equipment	1,000.00	283.00
Subtotal	508,537.00	454,118.00
RETIREMENT OF DEBT 6007440		
Long Term Debt Principal	0.00	0.00
Long Term Debt Interest	0.00	0.00
Subtotal	0.00	0.00
TRANSFERS 6009999		
Transfers to General Fund	0.00	0.00
Transfers To Special Revenue Funds	0.00	0.00
Subtotal	0.00	0.00
TOTAL SEWER DEPARTMENT FROM SEWER USERS' FEES	\$ 508,537.00	\$ 454,118.00

	FY 2011 APPROP.	FY 2011 EXPEND.
WATER DEPARTMENT 2704450		
Salaries - Director	42,322.00	42,322.00
Salaries - Permanent Labor	75,852.00	73,220.00
Salaries - Water/Sewer Superintendent	2,652.00	934.00
Salaries - Clerical - Part Time	10,631.00	10,631.00
Salaries - Billing Clerk	11,176.00	10,914.00
Salaries - Part Time Clerk	6,893.00	1,713.00
Salaries - Overtime	7,000.00	1,343.00
Longevity	150.00	150.00
Fringe Benefits - Health/Vacation	14,000.00	7,184.00
Clothing Allowance	1,275.00	1,221.00
Energy	2,700.00	2,097.00
New Bedford Water Bills	702,000.00	698,893.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	2,000.00	742.00
R & M Vehicles	3,000.00	2,940.00
Software Maintenance	1,000.00	1,000.00
Maintenance Of System	6,000.00	1,138.00
R & M Trenches	3,000.00	750.00
Rentals & Leases	1,000.00	309.00
Legal Expenses	5,000.00	4,850.00
Engineering Fees	15,700.00	10,700.00
Telephone	1,013.00	374.00
Training & Testing	2,500.00	693.00
CCR Reports	3,000.00	1,726.00
Communications - Advertising	1,000.00	94.00
Other Purch. Serv. - Police Detail	2,500.00	0.00
Special Article - Water Exploration	80,000.00	76,000.00
Gasoline	5,000.00	3,474.00
Office Supplies	300.00	300.00
Water Bills	2,000.00	1,768.00
Postage	2,700.00	1,936.00
Water Testing	9,000.00	5,865.00
Special Article - Well Test/Engineering	5,000.00	5,000.00
P.W. Supplies/ Equipment	10,000.00	6,953.00
Travel	250.00	0.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships/Licenses	500.00	500.00
Upgrading System	1,000.00	0.00
Additional Equipment - New Meters	5,000.00	3,505.00
Special Article - Radio Read Meters	35,866.00	23,741.00
Special Article - Leak Detect. Survey	400.00	0.00
Special Article - Cross Survey	1,580.00	90.00
Subtotal	1,081,960.00	1,005,070.00
RETIREMENT OF DEBT 2707450		
Long Term Debt Principal	48,733.00	48,732.00
Long Term Debt Interest	158,259.00	158,259.00
Subtotal	206,992.00	206,991.00

	FY 2011 APPROP.	FY 2011 EXPEND.
TRANSFERS 2709999		
Transfers to General Fund	0.00	0.00
Transfers to Special Revenue Fund	0.00	0.00
Subtotal	0.00	0.00
TOTAL WATER DEPARTMENT FROM WATER USERS' FEES	\$ 1,288,952.00	\$ 1,212,061.00

GOLD COURSE ENTERPRISE FUND 6606650

Salaries - Director	56,256.00	56,256.00
Salaries - Superintendent	82,241.00	82,241.00
Salaries - Head Professional	31,620.00	31,620.00
Salaries - Clubhouse Employees	80,070.00	46,648.00
Salaries - Assistant Superintendent	43,285.00	43,285.00
Salaries - Maintenance Employees	145,860.00	135,058.00
Salaries - Collector	4,276.00	4,276.00
Fringe Benefits - Clubhouse Employees	0.00	0.00
Fringe Benefits - Maintenance Employees	15,000.00	4,064.00
Energy	14,000.00	10,672.00
Energy - Maintenance	7,600.00	7,600.00
R. & M. Building & Grounds	4,000.00	1,791.00
R. & M. Equipment	8,000.00	6,345.00
R. & M. Equipment - Maintenance	10,100.00	10,017.00
Rentals & Leases	54,000.00	43,788.00
Rentals & Leases - Maintenance	9,500.00	9,430.00
Legal Expenses	500.00	0.00
Telephone	5,000.00	3,526.00
Telephone - Maintenance	2,100.00	1,819.00
R. & M Irrigation - Maintenance	4,000.00	3,860.00
Communications - Advertising	25,000.00	15,394.00
Training & Safety - Maintenance	1,000.00	925.00
Uniforms	1,500.00	0.00
Uniforms - Maintenance	1,500.00	1,302.00
Gasoline	27,000.00	25,215.00
Supplies - Golf Shop	31,000.00	18,632.00
Seed/Topdress/Orn. - Maintenance	9,500.00	8,769.00
Fertilizer - Maintenance	35,700.00	30,927.00
Pesticides - Maintenance	60,000.00	59,727.00
Food Supplies	74,000.00	50,899.00
Other Supplies	7,800.00	6,199.00
Supplies - Maintenance	8,000.00	7,991.00

	FY 2011 APPROP.	FY 2011 EXPEND.
Travel	1,000.00	597.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships/Licenses - Club.	1,500.00	1,484.00
Dues/Subscription/Memberships/Licenses - Maint.	1,500.00	1,420.00
Insurance	11,000.00	10,590.00
Special Article - Golf Cart Paths	0.00	0.00
Special Article - Golf Clubhouse	0.00	0.00
Special Article - Golf Entrance	0.00	0.00
Capital Projects	83,360.00	63,795.00
Subtotal	957,768.00	806,162.00
 DEBT SERVICE 6607650		
Long Term Debt Principal	360,000.00	360,000.00
Long Term Debt Interest	200,169.00	200,169.00
Subtotal	560,169.00	560,169.00
 TRANSFERS 6609999		
Transfers to General Fund	0.00	0.00
Subtotal	0.00	0.00
TOTAL GOLF COURSE ENTERPRISE FUND	\$ 1,517,937.00	\$ 1,366,331.00
 SUBTOTAL	 \$ 27,099,316.00	 \$ 25,476,253.00

OTHER EXPENDITURES

FY 2011
EXPEND.

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS

Computer Project	926.00
EMS Building	387.00
Partingways Building Project	2,200.00
Fire Department	0.00
D.P.W. - Sewer Infiltration	0.00
Park Renovation Project	0.00
A.D.A. Compliance - Town Hall	0.00
Fire Station Roof Renovation	3,836.00
CPA Land Purchase	0.00
Water Main Replacement - Phase II	17,000.00
Water Improvements - Phase III	0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	24,349.00

CHAPTER 90 HIGHWAY FUNDS

Crack Sealing	142,983.00
Gammons Road	5,645.00
Peckham Road	195,141.00
Lake Street Guardrails	0.00
TOTAL CHAPTER 90 HIGHWAY FUNDS	343,769.00

SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

School Lunch	307,250.00
Full Day Kindergarten	94,284.00
Preschool Program	0.00
Other Grants & Funding	949,621.00
TOTAL SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	1,351,156.00

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Animal Gift Fund	415.00
EECBG Sub - Grant	149,776.00
Community Preservation Fund	78,162.00
Community Development Grant	0.00
Cable Ed. & Gov. Access Studio	2,886.00
Peg Access	28,763.00
Lake Street Guardrails Grant	0.00
D. A. R. E. Grant	0.00
Police Grant - Odd	0.00
SCAT - Southcoast Anti-Crime	0.00
State Community Policing Grant	0.00
Cops In Shop Grant	0.00
Law Enforcement Trust	10,499.00

	FY 2011 EXPEND.
Homeland Security Grant	4,023.00
Gov. Highway Safety Grant	1,479.00
SETB Training Grant - 911	850.00
SETB Support Incentive Grant	27,979.00
Private Organization Grant - Police	0.00
Emergency Mgt. Performance Grant	0.00
Fire S.A.F.E. Grant	1,381.00
Police Reimbursable	13,360.00
Firefighter Equipment Grant	0.00
Council On Aging Grant	14,095.00
C.O.A. Building Grant	0.00
Council On Aging Gift Fund	7,603.00
C.O.A. Walmart Grant	1,500.00
Library Gift Fund	32,844.00
LIG/MEG/NRC	13,526.00
Library - CD Antitrust Settlement	0.00
LSTA Library Grant	0.00
Library Building Grant	34.00
Public Library Fund Grant	276.00
BOH - Pher H1N1 Grant	866.00
Field Equipment	0.00
One Time Gift Fund	1,965.00
911 Memorial Gift Fund	2,686.00
Arts Lottery Council	3,270.00
Title V - Receipts Reserved App.	5,436.00
ARAW Grant	933.00
Celebrations Gift Fund	23,645.00
Conservation Revolving Fund	1,829.00
Park Department Gift Fund	5,840.00
Fed. Asst. to Firefighters Grant	0.00
Sewer Tie-In Program Administration	0.00
Sewer Phase II Betterment	406,449.00
Sewer Tie-In Loan Program	7,500.00
C.O.A. Strong Women Grant	7,775.00
Notice Of Intent	2,118.00
Buzzards Bay Watershed Grant	0.00
Buzzards Bay Garden Club Grant	242.00
Stormwater Assessment Grant	1,512.00
E.M.S. Fund	306,584.00
Insurance Reimbursements	22,364.00
Parting Ways Beautification	0.00
Outside Ads	0.00
FEMA Grant	7,285.00
LLEBG	0.00
Local Preparedness Grant	0.00
Bristol County Homeland Security Grant	0.00
Assistance to Firefighters	0.00
Fire Department Gift Fund	296.00
DUI Grant	0.00
MEMA Grant	0.00
TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	<u>1,198,046.00</u>
TRUSTS	
Various	11,043.00
TOTAL TRUST FUNDS	<u>11,043.00</u>
STABILIZATION FUNDS	
Transfers to General Fund	206,000.00
TOTAL STABILIZATION FUNDS	<u>206,000.00</u>
GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS	<u><u>\$ 28,610,616.00</u></u>

Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
GENERAL FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2011**

ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 3,963,862.00
Receivables:	
Personal Property	13,830.00
Real Estate	173,934.00
Tax Liens	311,977.00
Taxes In Litigation	-
Motor Vehicle Excise	116,259.00
Refund Due From Vendor	13,340.00
Tax Foreclosures	233,860.00
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TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$ 4,827,062.00</u></u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$ 730,901.00
Other Liabilities	96,567.00
Accrued Salaries-Teachers	338,640.00
Allow. for Abatements & Exemptions 2002-2011	488,385.00
Tailings	71.00
Due to Firearms Record Fund	-
Police Academy Withholding	-
Fire Dept. Comp. Time	22,193.00
Deferred Revenue:	
Real Estate and Personal Property	(300,620.00)
Tax Liens	311,977.00
Tax Foreclosure	233,860.00
Motor Vehicle	116,259.00
Farm Excise	-
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u><u>\$ 2,038,233.00</u></u>

FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances-Prior Year	\$	569,598.00
Undesignated Fund Balance		1,477,773.00
Fund Balance Designated for Expenditures		741,458.00
Fund Balance Reserved for School Debt Reduction		-

TOTAL FUND EQUITY \$ 2,788,829.00

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY \$ 4,827,062.00

Attest:
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Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2011**

ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 660,973.00
CPA - Surcharge Receivable - 2011	1,336.00
Tax Liens Receivable	<u>1,786.00</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$ 664,095.00</u></u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	-
Deferred Revenue - Tax Liens	\$ 1,786.00
Deferred Revenue - CPA Surcharge	<u>1,336.00</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u><u>\$ 3,122.00</u></u>

FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrance - Prior Year	\$ 317,645.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Open Space	35,340.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Historic Preservation	28,443.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Community Housing	101,543.00
Fund Balance Designated for Expenditures	120,672.00
Undesignated Fund Balance	<u>57,330.00</u>
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	<u><u>\$ 660,973.00</u></u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	<u><u>\$ 664,095.00</u></u>

Attest:
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**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2011**

ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$	2,872,079.00
Cash on Hand		500.00
Receivables:		
E.M.S.		229,720.00
<u>Title V Loan Program:</u>		
Apportionment Added to Tax		-
Comm. Interest Added to Tax		-
Apportionment Not Yet Due		17,871.00
<u>Sewer Tie In Loan Program:</u>		
Apportionment Added to Tax		1,683.00
Comm. Interest Added to Tax		521.00
Apportionment Not Yet Due		330,878.00
Deferred Swr. Loan - Prin. Added to Tax		5,220.00
Deferred Sewer Loan Comm. Interest		285.00
Deferred Sewer Loan Not Yet Due		-
<u>Sewer Phase 2 Betterment Program:</u>		
Betterment Added to Tax		7,360.00
Comm. Interest Added to Tax		4,104.00
Betterment Not Yet Due		3,217,697.00
Def. Sewer PH2 Bett. Prin Added to Tax		8,511.00
Def. Sewer PH2 Bett. Comm. Interest		5,514.00
Deferred Betterment Not Yet Due		-
Privilege Fee Not Yet Due		11,459.00
Tax Title Receivable		48,528.00
		48,528.00

TOTAL ASSETS **\$ 6,761,930.00**

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$	11,766.00
Deferred Revenue:		
EMS		229,720.00
<u>Title V Loan Program:</u>		
Def. Ref. Apportionment Added to Tax		-

Def. Rev. Comm. Interest Added to Tax	-
Def. Rev Apportionment Not Yet Due	17,871.00
<u>Sewer Tie In Loan Program:</u>	
Def. Rev. Apportionment Added to Tax	1,683.00
Def. Rev. Comm. Interest Added to Tax	521.00
Def. Rev. Apportionment Not Yet Due	330,878.00
Def. Rev. Def. Swr. Ln. Prin. Add to Tax	5,220.00
Def. Rev. Def. Sewer Loan Comm. Interest	285.00
Def. Rev. Def. Sewer Loan Not Yet Due	-
<u>Sewer Phase 2 Betterment Program:</u>	
Def. Rev. Betterment Added to Tax	7,360.00
Def. Rev. Comm. Interest Added to Tax	4,104.00
Def. Rev. Betterment Not Yet Due	3,217,697.00
Def. Rev. Def. Sew. PH2 Prin. Add to Tax	8,511.00
Def. Rev. Def. Sew. PH2 Comm. Interest	5,514.00
Def. Rev. Def. Betterment Not Yet Due	-
Def. Rev. Privilege Fee Not Yet Due	11,459.00
Deferred Revenue Tax Title	48,528.00

TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 3,901,117.00
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FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance Reserved For Encumbrances	\$ -
Fund Balance Reserved For Expenditures	300,000.00
EECBG Energy Grant	224.00
ARAW Grant	2,155.00
Community Development Grant	-
Building Maintenance Fund	2,853.00
Cable Ed. & Gov. Access Studio	17,204.00
D.A.R.E. Grant	231.00
Police SCAT Grant	-
Peg Access	150,710.00
Police Reimbursable	-
Law Enforcement Trust	9,375.00
Fire S.A.F.E.	3,434.00
Library LIG/MEG/NRC	31,212.00
COA Strong Woman Grant	3,180.00
Library Info Grant	5.00
Library Gift Fund	254,128.00
Library Building Grant	13.00
Board Of Health	64.00
Title V Receipts Reserved	39,414.00
Arts Lottery Council	2,929.00

BOH Pher H1N1 Grants	-
Celebrations Gift Fund	1,362.00
COA Van Gift Fund	12,304.00
Notice Of Intent	15,798.00
Conservation Revolving Acct	630.00
Vets Memorial/Celebrations Gift Fund	5,432.00
E.M.S. Fund	226,596.00
Empowerment Fund	1,873.00
Downtown Steering Committee	5,654.00
C.O.A. Buzzards Bay Garden Grant	8.00
C.O.A. Building Fund	-
Insurance Reimbursement	-
Animal Gift Fund	3,667.00
FEMA Grant	-
LIB CD Antitrust Grant	185.00
Fed. Assist To Firefighters	-
Sewer PH 2 Betterment	1,313,841.00
Sewer Tie-In Reserved Receipts	280,172.00
Park Department Gift Fund	1,154.00
COA Gift Fund	2,884.00
Council On Aging Grant	-
Lake Street Guardrails Grant	16,610.00
Community Policing Grant	1.00
Long Plain Museum Repair Grant	1.00
Stormwater Assessment Grant	-
Fire Department Gift Fund	1,556.00
Fire Safety Equipment	-
Cops In Shops Grant	1,599.00
COPS - Private Org Grant	-
LSTA - Library Grant	1.00
Sewer-Tie In Admin Grant	639.00
Ambulance Task Force Grant	193.00
Field Equipment Gift Fund	-
Sept 11 Memorial Gift Fund	15,186.00
SMHG Health Reimbursement	136,336.00
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	<u>\$ 2,860,813.00</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	<u>\$ 6,761,930.00</u>

Attest:
Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
SCHOOL LUNCH**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2011**

ASSETS

Cash	\$ 43,603.00
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 43,603.00</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$ 1,062.00
Due to Mass. - Meal Tax	<u>-</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$ 1,062.00</u>

FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumb. - Prior Year	70.00
Undesignated Fund Balance	<u>\$ 42,471.00</u>
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	<u>\$ 42,541.00</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	<u>\$ 43,603.00</u>

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Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
SCHOOL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2011**

ASSETS

Cash	\$	557,030.00
SPED Circuit Breaker Due from Commonwealth		-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	557,030.00

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$	19,467.00
Accrued Teacher Salaries		-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	19,467.00

FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumb. - Current Year	\$	-
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumb. - Prior Year		3,563.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Expenditures		-
Title 1		3,605.00
Title 2		-
Title II - P.L.94-142		85,937.00
Early Childhood Grant		1,080.00
Drug Free		-
School Building Rentals		67,887.00
Tuition Revenue		58,361.00
Early Child SPED ARRA		45.00
Ford Middle School Fund		14,567.00
Elementary School Fund		20,313.00
Tech Lighthouse		385.00
Teacher Quality In Education		5,804.00
Enhanced Education		-
Full Day Kindergarten		43,945.00
Full Day Kindergarten Grant		-
ARRA Education Jobs Grant		5,756.00
SPED Improvement Grant		9.00
Tuition Revolving Fund		7,738.00

Federal ARRA IDEA Grants	-
Preschool Program	31,647.00
SPED Circuit Breaker	186,524.00
Non - Smoking Grant	397.00
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TOTAL FUND EQUITY	\$ 537,563.00
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$ 557,030.00
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Attest:
Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
LONG TERM DEBT ACCOUNT GROUP**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2011**

ASSETS

Amounts to be Provided for Payment of Bonds	\$ 10,246,971.00
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 10,246,971.00</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

Sewer Phase II Bonds	\$ 4,098,150.00
School Renovation Bond	1,615,000.00
Bonds Payable Fire Truck	160,000.00
Partingways Building Bonds	40,000.00
Water Main Bonds - Phase I	616,769.00
Water Main Bonds - Phase II	1,662,081.00
Water Main Bonds - Phase III	1,418,915.00
Sewer Tie-In Loan Program	592,578.00
Title V Bonds	43,478.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$ 10,246,971.00</u>

FUND EQUITY

CPA - White Woods Authorized	\$ (650,000.00)
Sewer Tie-In Program Authorized	(7,422.00)
CPA - White Woods Unissued	650,000.00
Sewer Tie-In Program Unissued	7,422.00
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	<u>\$ -</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	<u>\$ 10,246,971.00</u>

Attest:
Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
TRUST FUNDS**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2011**

ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$	2,701,487.00
Due from Resident		-
		-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	2,701,487.00
		-

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$	50.00
		50.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	50.00
		50.00

FUND EQUITY

Cemetery Perpetual Care	\$	110,375.00
Haydon Flower		133.00
Haydon - Candage Flower		493.00
Instructive Nursing		11,714.00
Leo/Ruth Jackson Flower		76.00
Omey/Cottle Flower		19,518.00
Travis/Ellis Flower		3,350.00
Charles Beals Library		7,056.00
Albert Leconte Library		3,535.00
Allen/Rhonda Russell Library		10,330.00
Russell Library Maintenance		7,868.00
F. Sowa Library		13,108.00
Long Plain School		6,782.00
W.G. Owen Art Week		1,436.00
Russell Protestant Poor		61,690.00
Russell Town Hall		11,995.00
Sylvia P. Manter School		57,690.00
Henry H. Rogers School		14,856.00
Russell Public Schools		42,621.00
E. C. Burt School Library		4,746.00
Ruth Tabor Scholarship		9,063.00
Long Plain Meetinghouse		12,107.00
Meetinghouse Restoration		156,181.00
A. Fluegal Board Of Health		1,857.00

RN Swift 1	11,518.00
RN Swift 2	599.00
Conservation	1,900.00
Parting Ways Green Trust Fund	13,044.00
Retirement	184,925.00
Accumulated Sick Time	5,734.00
Stabilization	1,465,623.00
Golf Course Farm Land	119,359.00
Fund Balance Designated for Expenditures	<u>330,155.00</u>
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	<u>\$ 2,701,437.00</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	<u><u>\$ 2,701,487.00</u></u>

Attest:
Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
AGENCY FUNDS**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2011**

ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 119,737.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 119,737.00

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$ -
Braley Hill Estates	684.00
Erin Heights	415.00
Mendall Hill Estates	-
Stoney Acres	1,026.00
Deep Brook Estates #4	13,801.00
Blaise Drive	-
Park Drive Extension	-
Forestdale Estates	24,965.00
Maple Ridge Estates	80.00
Maple Ridge Estates #2	21,012.00
Davis Farm Estates	380.00
Edgewood Estates	3,233.00
Gendron Estates	785.00
Nestle's Lane Ecrow	-
Edgewood Acres #2 Escrow	49,855.00
Outside Details - Police	3,501.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 119,737.00

FUND BALANCE

Fund Balance Designated for Expenditures	\$ -
Undesignated Fund Balance	-

TOTAL FUND BALANCE	\$ -
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	\$ 119,737.00
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Attest:

Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2011**

ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ (5,645.00)
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ (5,645.00)</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$ -
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$ -</u>

FUND EQUITY

Stormwater Mendall	\$ -
Gammons Road	(5,645.00)
Main Street	-
Fairway Drive	-
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	<u>\$ -</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	<u>\$ (5,645.00)</u>

Attest:
Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
WATER SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2011**

ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 259,553.00
Receivables:	
Water Charges	19,538.00
Tax Title Receivable	472.00
Water Services	-
Water Liens Added to Tax - 2011	158.00
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TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$ 279,721.00</u></u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$ 78,160.00
Deferred Revenue Tax Title	472.00
Deferred Revenue Water Charges	19,538.00
Deferred Revenue Water Liens	158.00
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u><u>\$ 98,328.00</u></u>

FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances- Current YR	\$ -
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances- Prior YR	22,615.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Expenditures	80,000.00
Undesignated Fund Balance	78,778.00
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TOTAL FUND EQUITY	<u><u>\$ 181,393.00</u></u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	<u><u>\$ 279,721.00</u></u>

Attest:
Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2011**

ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$	200,085.00
Receivables:		
Sewer User Charges		18,096.00
Tax Title Receivable		483.00
Sewer Connection Receivable		-
Sewer Leins Added to Tax - 2011		-
Machinery & Equipment		5,650.00
Allowance for Depreciation - Machinery & Equipment		(5,650.00)
Infrastructure		5,753,984.00
Allowance for Depreciation - Infrastructure		(796,606.00)
Vehicles		10,293.00
Allowance for Depreciation - Vehicles		(10,293.00)
Construction in Process		-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	<u>5,176,042.00</u>

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY
LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$	19,779.00
Deferred Revenue Tax Title		483.00
Deferred Revenue Sewer User Charges		18,096.00
Deferred Revenue Sewer Liens		-
Net Fixed Assets		4,957,378.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	<u>4,995,736.00</u>

FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances- Current YR	\$	-
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumbrances- Prior YR		7,452.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Expenditures		10,000.00
Undesignated Fund Balance		162,854.00
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	\$	<u>180,306.00</u>

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$	<u>5,176,042.00</u>
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Attest:
Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
GOLF ENTERPRISE FUND**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2011**

ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$ 422,608.00
Land Acquisition	1,637,100.00
Land Improvements	1,541,655.00
Allow. for Depreciation - Land Improvements	(838,525.00)
Land Improvements Interest	798,862.00
Land Improvements Nondepreciable	2,835,910.00
Buildings	285,523.00
Allow. for Depreciation - Buildings	(106,947.00)
Machinery and Equipment	781,826.00
Allow. for Depreciation - Machinery & Equipment	(561,253.00)
Construction in Progress	-
Amounts to be Provided for Payment of Bond	4,810,493.00

TOTAL ASSETS **\$ 11,607,252.00**

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$ 16,795.00
Bonds Payable	4,740,000.00
Taxes Due to Massachusetts	-
Outing Deposits	2,410.00
Gift Certificates	30,116.00
Gift Cards	15,295.00
Capitalized Lease Obligation	70,493.00
Bonds Payable Golf Equipment	-
Net Fixed Assets	6,374,151.00

TOTAL LIABILITIES **\$ 11,249,260.00**

FUND EQUITY

Contributed Capital	\$ 500,000.00
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumb. - Prior Year	-
Fund Balance Designated for Expenditures	-
Fund Balance Designated - P/Y Revenue Shortfall	-
Undesignated Fund Balance	(142,008.00)

TOTAL FUND EQUITY	\$ 357,992.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$ 11,607,252.00

Attest:
Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2011**

ASSETS

Cash and Short Term Investments	\$	24,746.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	24,746.00

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$	-
B.A.N. Payable		-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	-

FUND EQUITY

Fund Balance Reserved for Encumb. - Current Year	\$	-
Fund Balance Reserved for Encumb. - Prior Year		-
Computer Account		-
EMS Building		-
Water Infiltration - Phase II		(17,000.00)
Parting Ways Bldg. Project		19,719.00
Fire Station Roof Revovation		22,027.00
Capital Project Bonded Equipment		-
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	\$	24,746.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$	24,746.00

Attest:
Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET
GOVERNMENTAL FIXED ASSETS**

**BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2011**

ASSETS

Land Acquisition	\$ 1,501,678.00
Land Improvements	5,294,407.00
Buildings	33,912,294.00
Machinery & Equipment	1,682,307.00
Infrastructure	20,196,967.00
Vehicles	1,796,459.00
Construction in Process	6,036.00
Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(26,134,878.00)</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$ 38,255,270.00</u></u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	<u>\$ -</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$ -</u>

FUND EQUITY

Undesignated Fund Balance	<u>\$ 38,255,270.00</u>
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	<u><u>\$ 38,255,270.00</u></u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	<u><u>\$ 38,255,270.00</u></u>

Attest:
Cathy L. Doane
Director of Finance

2011 Report of the Animal Control Officer

To the Officers & Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

Number of Dogs Picked Up Unrestrained (Brought to the Shelter)	15
Number of Dogs Claimed	5
Number of Dogs Transferred & Adopted	7
Number of Dogs Euthanized	3
Number of Cats/Kittens Brought to the Shelter	2
Number of Cats Adopted	2
Number of Cats Euthanized/Hit by M.V. or Injured	25
Number of Dead Animal Picked Up	908
Number of Complaints Investigated	2,382
Number of Hearings by Selectmen	0
Number of Citations Issued	221
Number of Court Hearings	36
Mileage	5,121
Citation Revenue	\$4,625
Boarding Revenue	\$325
Animal Gift Fund Donations	\$488

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebekah Tomlinson
Animal Inspector

2011 Report of the Animal Inspector

To the Officers & Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

Total Number of Quarantines	23
Number of Dogs Quarantined	15
Number of Cats Quarantined	8
Number of Rabies Investigated	1
Number of Rabies Investigated – Positive	0
Number of Rabies Cases – Negative	1
Number of Rabies Cases – Unsatisfactory	0
Number of People Who went for Rabies Vaccine	0
*Animals Were Unavailable for Quarantine	
Number of Barn Inspections	84
Number of Cattle Inspections (incl. Dairy, Bulls, Heifers & Calves)	123
Number of Horses & Ponies Inspected	107
Number of Sheep Inspected	161
Number of Goats Inspected	141
Number of Chickens Inspected	806
Number of Turkeys Inspected	41
Number of Rabbits Inspected	357
Number of Swine Inspected	3
Number of Peacocks Inspected	6
Number of Guinea Hens Inspected	6
Number of Waterfowl Inspected	161
Number of Swans Inspected	0
Number of Pheasants Inspected	3
Number of Game Birds	0
Number of Llamas	0
Number of Alpacas	2
Number of Donkeys	4

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebekah Tomlinson
Animal Inspector

Annual Report Acushnet Board of Health 2011

Board Members

David M. Davignon, Chairman
Thomas J. Fortin, Clerk
Robert Medeiros, Inspector

Office Staff

Joann DeMello, Senior Clerk
Wanda L. Hamer, Senior Clerk
Ralph Urban, P.L.S., Health Agent

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet,

Nursing Health Care Programs:

Blood Pressure Screenings were held by the Community Nurse and Hospice Care of Fairhaven every Wednesday from 9:00 am to 10:00 am at the Council on Aging Building at 59 ½ South Main Street. The Community Nurses followed up with 22 communicable diseases that were reported to the Board of Health Office.

The Annual Flu Clinic was held on October 26th at the Council on Aging Building. A total of 262 flu shots were administered. This year the Department of Public Health supplied the Board with 400 doses of flu vaccine and the vaccine restriction guidelines were lifted making the vaccine available to any resident over the age of 6 months. The Board held the 2nd flu clinic on November 16th at the Council on Aging. A total of 37 flu shots were administered. Accommodations were made for residents who needed assistance by the Board of Health staff and the Community Nurse & Hospice Care Staff.

Inspections:

Septic System Installations	34
Mobile Home Parks	6
Title V	55
Food Service	104
Septic System Abandonments	6
Complaints	33
Soil Evaluations	104
Housing	5
Percolation Tests	52

Permits:

Septic System Repairs	30
Septic System New Const.	4
Food Service	47
Stable	30

Total Receipts for 2010

Permit Fees	\$33,434.75
Mobile Park Fees	\$ 8,856.00
Health Clinic Donations	\$ 767.00
Total	\$43,057.75

Board of Health Meetings	17
Septic Plans Reviewed	41
Homeland Security Meetings Attended	32
Steering Committee Meetings Attended	32
Informational Meetings Attended	5

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS:

Amy Palmer, Emergency Planner for Bristol County is continually working with the Board of Health regarding Emergency Dispensing Sites (EDS). Amy assists the Board and staff with planning in the event of a disaster, outbreak or shelter requirements. The Town's Emergency Dispensing Site is located at the Albert Ford Middle School located at 708 Middle Road. This site is registered with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. The State has now established new guidelines regarding EDS quarterly drills, these drills are State mandated and required to be performed by the Board of Health. It keeps all personnel involved with the EDS site updated and informed and allows Amy to review the test drill and write up an evaluation regarding the process and procedure if an actual emergency were to occur in Town.

On the following dates the Board of Health conducted mandatory call down drills under the direction of Amy Palmer. The three drills were conducted using the Home Health Alert Network (HHAN) system.

March 28, 2011.
July 20, 2011.
November 28, 2011.

All call down drill results were sent to Amy and forwarded to the State to complete the 2011 mandate.

Denise Phaneuf, Coalition Coordinator for Region 5 Emergency Preparedness was present at the October 26, 2011 Annual Flu Clinic. This clinic was run as an EDS (Emergency Dispensing Site). This is a requirement of the Department of Public Health and Center for Disease Control under Homeland Security for the preparedness of a pandemic outbreak, disaster or other emergency. Emergency medical services were on staff and all personnel under the command of the ICS coordinator were present to sign off on the drill.

Respectfully submitted,

Acushnet Board of Health

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
STATE RECLAMATION AND MOSQUITO CONTROL
BOARD

BRISTOL COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT
140 NORTH WALKER STREET * TAUNTON, MA 02780
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ANNUAL REPORT - ACUSHNET, MASSACHUSETTS
January 1, 2011 – December 31, 2011

The calendar year 2011 marks the fifty-second anniversary of the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project and its services to the cities and towns of Bristol County. The Project was established in 1958 as a result of numerous human and horse cases of Eastern Equine Encephalitis. Over the years, the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project has greatly reduced the exposure to this arbovirus and also the newly introduced West Nile virus.

Since the 1958 formation much has changed. New biological larvicides have been developed and used to suppress mosquito emergence. The Project has acquired new GPS guidance systems for the trucks and GIS mapping capabilities. Newer environmentally sensitive adulticides have been developed and adopted by the Project. During water management projects, low ground pressure machines are used to reduce secondary impacts to the environment. Increased mosquito surveillance, the cornerstone of Integrated Pest Management, continues every summer. The addition of molecular techniques by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health increased sensitivity of virus isolations and decreased turn around time between collections and results.

For the past 9 years, Bristol County Mosquito Control Project reported the most EEE isolations from mosquitoes in Massachusetts. During the 2011 mosquito season, over 46,167 mosquitoes were collected. There were 31 isolations of EEE with 1 collection from human biting mosquitoes and no human or horse cases reported for the County. We also saw an expansion of the invasive Asian Tiger Mosquito- *Ae.albopictus*, within Bristol County.

The Bristol County Mosquito Control Project works year-round in its efforts to reduce mosquito breeding sites and adult mosquito populations. The Project uses several different measures of control in its never-ending fight against mosquitoes.

Spring and Summer Larviciding - To reduce the emergence of adult mosquitoes in areas where mosquito larvae are present.

Catch Basin Treatment - To stop mosquito emergence from rain-filled catch basins and storm drains.

Mosquito Surveillance Program - To monitor mosquito populations as to their type and number - a program necessary in encephalitis surveillance. Light trapping of mosquitoes is also useful to determine what areas have nuisance populations of mosquitoes.

Water Management - A year round endeavor to clean and maintain mosquito drainage ditches in areas to reduce standing water conducive to mosquito larvae.

Public Outreach: - Providing important information to the residents of the county with respect to personal protection against mosquito bites, mosquito breeding prevention on one's property and mosquito data.

It is the policy of the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project to use pesticides that are environmentally sensitive so that they do not negatively impact people or the environment. We use as many of the biological insecticides as are practical with the environmental conditions present in the New England area.

All of our spray equipment is calibrated periodically in order to insure that dosage rates remain at legal levels but are adequate to reduce mosquito populations. The operators of our spray equipment are state licensed pesticide applicators that are required to attend classes on pesticide safety on a yearly basis.

During the time period January 1, 2011 – December 31, 2011 the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project:

- Sprayed over 8,199.2 acres
- Treated 31.3 acres in 37 locations with *B.t.i.* for mosquito larvae
- Received 264 requests for spraying
- Cleared and reclaimed 2,130 feet of brush
- Cleaned 130 feet of ditches by machine
- Treated 718 catch basins

I would like to thank the town officials and the people of Acushnet for their continued support and cooperation and look forward to serving them in the coming year. Should anyone have a question as to what might be done to relieve a mosquito problem in their area, whether it is water management work, treatment of a breeding site, or just having an area checked, please feel free to call our office.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne N. Andrews, Superintendent
December 31, 2011

Members of the Commission: Arthur Tobin, Chairman, Gregory Dorrance, Christine Fagan, Joseph Barile & Robert Davis

Report of the Building Department

To the residents and officers of the Town of Acushnet:

The Building Department issued 437 permits and collected \$ 35,490.00 in fees for the annual year ending in December 2011. The estimated value of work was \$ 4,731,709.00.

Date	Permits	Fees Collected	Estimated Value of Work
January 2011	28	\$ 1,030.00	\$ 72,480.00
February	23	\$ 3,567.00	\$ 633,090.00
March	32	\$ 1,544.00	\$ 738,000.00
April	35	\$ 1,641.00	\$ 347,830.00
May	36	\$ 3,066.00	\$ 456,450.00
June	44	\$ 4,425.00	\$ 633,792.00
July	32	\$ 2,647.00	\$ 323,992.00
August	53	\$ 2,235.00	\$ 427,110.00
September	37	\$ 7,066.00	\$ 564,605.00
October	31	\$ 1,518.00	\$ 191,580.00
November	31	\$ 3,996.00	\$ 641,685.00
December	21	\$ 1,365.00	\$ 243,200.00
Subtotals	405	\$ 34,100.00	\$ 4,731,709.00
Certificate of Occupancy		Included with building permit fees	
Certificate of Inspection	15	\$ 740.00	N/A
Trenching Permits	3	\$ 130.00	N/A
Zoning Permits	7	\$ 210.00	Included in Monthly Value Fees
Zoning Board Inquiries	2	\$ 100.00	N/A
Totals	437	\$ 35,490.00	\$ 4,731,709.00

Respectfully submitted,
 James Marot, Building Commissioner
 Steve Pina, Deputy Building Inspector
 Jodie Camara, Senior Clerk

Report of the Building Department

To the residents and officers of the Town of Acushnet:

The following permits were issued for the annual year ending in December 2011.

Structures	Amount
Additions	14
Chimney	4
Commercial	5
Decks	19
Demolitions	11
Doors	23
Dwelling	5
Garage	17
Insulation	44
Miscellaneous	24
Pool	16
Renovations	22
Roof	87
Shed	18
Siding	32
Signs	2
Temporary Structures	2
Windows	42
Woodstoves	18
Totals	405

Respectfully submitted,

James Marot, Building Commissioner
Steve Pina, Deputy Building Inspector
Jodie Camara, Senior Clerk

Report of the Wiring Department

To the residents and officers of the Town of Acushnet:

The Wiring Department issued 155 permits and collected \$ 10,581.00 in fees for the annual year ending in December 2011.

Date	Permits	Fees Collected
January 2011	9	\$ 600.00
February	9	\$ 560.00
March	9	\$ 600.00
April	14	\$ 720.00
May	5	\$ 325.00
June	15	\$ 975.00
July	17	\$ 1,225.00
August	13	\$ 685.00
September	22	\$ 1,339.00
October	13	\$ 1,467.00
November	18	\$ 1,380.00
December	11	\$ 705.00
Total	155	\$ 10,581.00

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Marot, Building Commissioner
Frank Knox, Wire Inspector
Thomas De Costa, Deputy Inspector
Jodie Camara, Senior Clerk

REPORT OF THE PLUMBING DEPARTMENT

TO THE RESIDENTS AND OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF ACUSHNET:

THE PLUMBING DEPARTMENT ISSUED 82 PERMITS AND RECEIVED \$5,768.00 IN FEES FOR THE ANNUAL YEAR ENDING IN DECEMBER 2011.

DATE	PERMITS ISSUED	FEES
JANUARY 2011	6	\$ 440.00
FEBRUARY	2	136.00
MARCH	4	270.00
APRIL	8	445.00
MAY	10	762.00
JUNE	8	504.00
JULY	3	224.00
AUGUST	10	735.00
SEPTEMBER	6	473.00
OCTOBER	11	808.00
NOVEMBER	5	415.00
DECEMBER	9	556.00
TOTAL	82	\$ 5,768.00

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

JAMES A. MAROT, BUILDING COMMISSIONER
 RAYMOND LAFRANCE, PLUMBING/GAS INSPECTOR
 WILLIAM ALPHONSE, DEPUTY PLUMBING INSPECTOR
 JODIE CAMARA, SENIOR CLERK

Report of the Gas Department

To the residents and officers of the Town of Acushnet:

The Gas Department issued 96 permits and collected \$ 5000.00 in fees for the annual year ending in December 2011.

Date	Permits	Fees Collected
January 2011	7	\$ 390.00
February	4	\$ 180.00
March	4	\$ 225.00
April	4	\$ 185.00
May	6	\$ 325.00
June	8	\$ 400.00
July	6	\$ 205.00
August	18	\$ 790.00
September	6	\$ 370.00
October	12	\$ 705.00
November	11	\$ 590.00
December	10	\$ 635.00
Total	96	\$ 5,000.00

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Marot, Building Commissioner
Raymond LaFrance, Gas/Plumbing Inspector
William Alphonse, Deputy Gas/Plumbing Inspector
Jodie Camara, Senior Clerk

REPORT OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Acushnet Board of Appeals met the first Monday of the Month (except on holidays) during the 2010 fiscal year. Occasionally the date was changed to the second Monday due to holidays and availability of the Community Center.

There were thirteen applications for hearings filed with the Town Clerk.

Variations were requested in three cases and Special Permits were requested in seven cases.

There were two cases denied during this fiscal year.

The Town Clerk received \$3900.00 in filing fees during fiscal 2011.

Paul Hipolito, Chairman
Carol Westgate, Vice-Chairperson
Rick Lally
Richard Gula
Lawrence G. Marshall
Kevin Dakin, Alternate Member
Charles Leonard, Alternate Member

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica M. Brodeur, Administrative Assistant

REPORT OF THE **ACUSHNET CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Objective:

The Acushnet Conservation Commission is a seven member board established to administer the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (MGL Chapter 131 Section 40) and collaborate with various town departments on wetland issues. Wetland resource areas are protected because they serve the following public interests:

- Protection of public and private water supply
- Replenishment of groundwater supply
- Flood control and storm damage prevention
- Pollution prevention
- Provide habitat for fisheries, shellfish and wildlife

The Commission works to acquire and manage passive and recreational open space as well as encourage conservation and agricultural preservation restrictions.

Conservation Commission Town Hall office hours:

- Monday- Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm
- Appointments are strongly advised, especially after noon

The Conservation Commission holds its public hearings every second and fourth Wednesday night of the month at 7:00 pm in the Acushnet Town Hall Meeting Room located at 122 Main Street.

Regular site inspections are conducted by the Commission on Saturday mornings during the fall/winter months and Monday evenings in the spring/summer months as necessary.

2011 Filings under MGL Chapter 131 Section 40:

- Notices of Intent – 6
- Requests for an Extension on an Order of Conditions - 1
- Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation - 2
- Requests for Determination of Applicability - 10
- Requests for Certificate of Compliance –21
- Site Visits - 24

Commission Membership:

This year we had a change of staff in the Conservation office. Karen Amarello joined us in January as our Senior Clerk. She learned the ropes quickly and keeps the office running smoothly.

We are also proud to announce that two of our Commission members have completed the Fundamentals Training Program given by the Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions. Everett Philla and Robert Rocha have finished all eight of the training modules in wetlands science and legal and public meeting essentials.

Persons interested in volunteering for associate member positions on the Commission are always welcome and may send a letter of interest to the Board of Selectmen.

As of December 2011, the Conservation Commission and staff included:

Robert Rocha, Chairman
Ted Cioper, Vice Chairman
Patricia Picard, Member
Marc Brodeur, Member
Kevin Dakin, Member
Everett Philla, Member
Evelyn Bouley, Member
Richard Gula, Alternate Member

Merilee Kelly, Agent
Karen Amarello, Senior Conservation Clerk

Respectfully submitted,

Merilee Kelly, Agent
Acushnet Conservation Commission

Annual Report of the Acushnet Council on Aging

Heather J. Sylvia, Director
Pauline Teixeira, Chairman of the Board
Gerard Bergeron, Vice-Chair
Paulette Hudson, Secretary
Cynthia Lundrigan, Board of Directors
Alfred Gonsalves, Board of Directors
Irene Bouchard, Board of Directors
Dorothy Gomes, Board of Directors

The Acushnet Council on Aging (COA) is open, and staffed, Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. The building is also open on Tuesday evenings to accommodate our Pitch League and Wednesday evenings for Square Dancing but the office is closed during these evening activities.

COA programs and services include, but are not limited to, congregate meals, Meals on Wheels through Coastline Elderly Services, exercise classes, French Cultural Group, Mahjong, Cribbage, Scrabble, Hand and Foot, Chair Massage, Soldier's group, Bingo, Line Dancing and more. We also have a very active *Friends of the Acushnet Elderly* group which meets monthly.

Our outreach program, **Benefiting Individual Needs, Goals, Objectives (BINGO)** which launched in 2010, is a collaborative effort between the Acushnet COA and the Acushnet Police Department and is designed to help the people we serve lead successful, safe lives in the housing of their choice for as long as possible by aiding those that qualify with SNAP (food stamps), Fuel Assistance, **Serving Health Information Needs of Elders (SHINE)** Counseling and a multitude of other benefits. These services are all provided at no charge to the senior and can be done both at the Senior Center or the comfort of a person's residence. As part of this program, Officer LouAnn Jenkinson from the Acushnet Police Department spends a full day each month at the Senior Center, meeting with patrons and helping with home visits.

In January 2011, the COA received a generous donation from SRTA in the form of a used, 12-passenger transportation van. This vehicle is being used to transport patrons to and from the senior center, and for grocery shopping.

In February, Gerard Bergeron was appointed to the Acushnet Council on Aging Board of Directors. Mr. Bergeron, who is the Director of the Acushnet Emergency Management Department, also works as a firefighter and EMT.

In March, the COA launched its own chapter of the Red Hat Society. This group meets at the Senior Center on the first Thursday of each month at 11:00 a.m. to plan the month's activities and outings. New members are always welcome. Lisa Nuno,

Licensed Manicurist, joined our team in March. She is available for toe nail care here at the Senior Center every other Friday from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Appointments are necessary.

In April, the Acushnet Council on Aging was the recipient of a \$1,500 grant from the WalMart Foundation. These funds were used to purchase a photo ID machine to be used at the Senior Center.

In May, the Garden Club of Buzzards Bay awarded the COA a grant in the amount of \$250.00 to help maintain the memorial garden located in the front of the Senior Center building. The New Bedford Garden Club, which meets at the Senior Center on the first Wednesday of each month, will be lending their green thumbs to help with the care and maintenance of the plants.

In October, Coastline Elderly Services awarded the COA Title III funding for a Chair Yoga Program. This hour of seated exercise takes place with instructor Sue Ashley on Tuesday mornings at 9:00 a.m.

For more information about COA services, programs or to volunteer your time, please call us at 508-998-0280.

Respectfully Submitted,

Heather J. Sylvia, Director

REPORT OF THE ACUSHNET CULTURAL COUNCIL

Requests for funds once again this year more than doubled available allocations. The new MCC computer applications were well received and were submitted 99% complete by all applicants. This council is “streamlined”, therefore can readily make final decisions. Awards made, hopefully, can be of a significant benefit to the children and seniors of Acushnet.

Respectfully submitted:

Walter S. Dalton, Jr.
Chairman

Dianna Couto
Carol Hall
Lisa Leonard
Edward A. Macomber
Patricia Mulvey
Linda Olsen

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Paul Sylvia – Director DPW

Lori Sylvia – Senior Clerk
Kelli Tomlinson – Part Time Senior Clerk

HIGHWAY DIVISION
Daniel Menard – Highway Superintendent

Paul Fortin
David Gifford
Thomas Menard

WATER/SEWER DIVISION

Matthew Tripp
John Westgate

ACUSHNET RECYCLING CENTER

Cameron Barlow

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The Acushnet DPW – During the calendar year of 2011 brought sweeping change to the **Highway Division** and with it new leadership, staffing changes, as well as the procurement of new heavy equipment. The following is a list of projects completed in the last 10 months:

- New drainage was installed on Keene Road, Ludlow Street, Budano Drive, Wamsutta and Parkside Avenues.
- New catch basins installed on Jean Street and Crompton Street.
- Repaired drain lines on Cedar Hill Drive and Garrison Lane.
- Re-profiled and raised the road elevation on Garrison Lane.
- Re-graded and compacted gravel roads in Town.
- Asphalt patched roads where needed.
- Repaired collapsed catch basins throughout the Town.
- Brush cut and mowed road side lines and lawns in Town.
- Responded to hurricane and snow / ice emergencies.
- Also, helped other Town departments solve when needed.

WATER AND SEWER DIVISION

The **Water Division** has been busy installing the Automatic Meter Reading System (AMR). This system will eliminate the need for door to door meter reading.

The department responded to one main water line break and three service leaks this year.

The **Sewer Division** has taken over the operation of the sewer pump station on Blueberry Drive. This station requires rehabilitation and the department has been busy repairing and updating its systems.

The Sewer Division continues to operate and maintain the Slocum Street and Allen Street pump stations.

We would like to say thank you to all DPW employees and Town departments for their continued assistance during 2011.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeffrey Schuster, Chairman
Steven Boucher, Vice Chairman
Dustin Cormier, Member
Doug Pinard, Member
Darrin Pinto, Member

Listed below are some of the proven practices for water conservation. Not only will you be helping save our important natural resources you will also be saving money.

Five Simple Steps to Water Conservation

1. Check every faucet in your house for leaks. Just a slow drip can waste 15 to 20 gallons of water a day.
2. Put a bit of food coloring in each toilet tank. Without flushing, watch to see for a few minutes if the color shows up in the bowl. It is not uncommon to lose 100 gallons a day from an otherwise invisible toilet leak.
3. Take shorter showers or fill your tub with less water. Five minutes for a shower or five inches in the tub is plenty.
4. Try to use automatic dish and clothes machines with full loads only. Even when machines feature short cycles, you are being more efficient with water with a full load.
5. Water your lawn and garden with good sense. It's best to water early in the day or late in the afternoon and NOT in the mid-day heat. Avoid watering on windy days or allowing your automatic sprinkler system to operate on rainy days and when it is not necessary. You might want to consult with a local Lawn and Garden Specialist for unique water conservation devices.

Taken from the American Water Works Association

Your continued support and cooperation with water conservation will help us to manage our precious resource into the next century and beyond.

REPORT OF THE ACUSHNET FIRE & EMS DEPARTMENT

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet, I hereby submit this annual report for the year ending December 31, 2011.

During the course of 2011 the department responded to 1,132 calls of which 750 (66%) were medical emergencies and 382 (34%) were fire based. Within those numbers:

- Of the 750 EMS calls, 647 resulted in patients being transported to the hospital; a slight decrease from the previous year
- Our ambulance responded 34 times to other communities
- Our second ambulance responded to 23 town based medical emergencies while our primary ambulance was committed to another call
- 21% of the fire calls involved firefighters assisting at medical emergencies, a slight increase from the previous year

Without question, the highlight of 2011 for our department was the creation of the Acushnet 9/11 Memorial. From our journey to New York City in February where we picked up a 2,700 pound steel beam from the World Trade Center to the dedication ceremony held on the tenth anniversary of the attacks, this project pulled together this community in ways many of us had never seen. Based on the generosity of the residents of this town – with donations of money, labor and materials – we now have a memorial to those lost on 9/11 which has been called by the local newspaper one of the premier historical monuments on the Southcoast. If not for the dedication of Acushnet resident Jeremiah Katz, his brother Adam and UMASS Professor Eric Lintala, our memorial would not nearly be as special.

Since the dedication in September we have met with visitors to the memorial from across the street and across the country. We enjoy talking with those who visit, both day and night. Almost all are compelled to tell us their stories from that dreadful day. Some leave flowers, some are moved to tears. All, however, tell us that they appreciate coming to a site where they can physically connect to three items that were part of our collective history; steel from the towers, a piece of the Pentagon and a stone from the field in Pennsylvania.

We were able to build the memorial without the assistance of funds from the Town. It is our intention to maintain it now and in the future in the same manner.

Acushnet, this memorial is yours. Visit often.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin A. Gallagher

Chief of Department

Members of the Acushnet Fire and EMS Department

Fire / Rescue Division

Chief of Department

Kevin A. Gallagher, FFI/II, FOI, **

Career Firefighters

Captain Alfred Robichaud
Gerard Bergeron, EMT-Intermediate, CPRI (Senior FF)
Eric Arruda, EMT-Paramedic
Thomas Farland, EMT-Paramedic

Call Deputy Chief

James Knox

Call Captains

Michael Rothwell, FFI

George Pimental

Call Lieutenants

Paul Martins, FFI/II, FOI

David Makuch

Brian Monte, FFI/II

Call Firefighters

Marc Cenerizio
Frank Knox

Ronald St. Onge (Senior CFF)
Wayne Pimental

Jeffrey Krupa

Matthew Tripp

Donald Crocker
Peter Giampa, FFI/II
Brian Costa, FFI/II
Eric Reilly, FFI/II
Joseph Knox, FFI/II, RN, EMT-Basic
Andrew Lavoie, EMT-Paramedic

Robert Correia
Matthew Roderiques, FFI/II, EMT-Basic
Paul Frysinger, FFI/II, EMT-Basic
Kathryn Johnson, FFI/II, EMT-Basic
Michael Mentzer, EMT-Paramedic
John Pytel, FFI/II, EMT-Paramedic

Scott Salter, FFI/II

Peter Rawclif

Dispatcher

Diane Barlow

Recruits

James Baptiste, EMT-Paramedic
Adam Hebert, EMT-Basic

Key:	FFI	Massachusetts Certified Firefighter Level One
	FFI/II	Massachusetts Certified Firefighter Level One & Two
	FI1	Massachusetts Certified Fire Instructor Level One
	FOI	Massachusetts Certified Fire Officer Level One
	CPRI	Certified CPR Instructor
	**	Massachusetts Fire Service Commission Accredited Fire Chief

Members of the Acushnet Fire and EMS Department

EMS Division

Chief of Department

Kevin A. Gallagher, EMT-Paramedic, I/C

EMT Paramedics (Fulltime)

Carlton Dort
Richard Gunter
Michael Mentzer

EMT Paramedics (Part-Time)

Priscilla Braley
Shawn Samanica
William Rodriques
Valarie Andrade-Higgins
Paul Correia
Timothy Guillotte

Jeff Dupuis
Phil Sarvari
Laurie Gonsalves
Andrew Lavoie
Brian Donohoe
James Baptists

EMT Basics (Part-Time)

Alan Bowen
Wendy Ashworth
Jonathan Cox

Paul Frysinger
Michael Coffey

I/C: Massachusetts certified Instructor / Coordinator

Report of the Acushnet Emergency Management Agency

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The Acushnet Emergency Management Agency (AEMA) continues to provide trained support services to many town departments – including Police, Fire, EMS and the Department of Public Works (DPW). A strictly volunteer agency, the Acushnet EMA coordinates emergency and disaster relief efforts at the local level under the jurisdiction of the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) as well as the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

During 2011, members of the Acushnet EMA continue to maintain the Acushnet EMA Headquarters located at 14 Thomas Street and to utilize this location as the town's Emergency Operations Center or EOC. We continue to have the designation from the Eastern Massachusetts Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES) of being a sub-regional command center for their organization, meaning Amateur Radio volunteers within AEMA would help staff the AEMA with Ham Operators for weather related and communication emergency incidents in Southeast Massachusetts based on ARES leadership discretion.

We are continuing First Aid/CPR classes and continuing education classes for Town EMTs out of our facility throughout the year and have continued training sessions for Acushnet EMA members on the various potential responses the AEMA would handle during disasters. AEMA members Ed Caron and Steve Silverstre conducted the training for Acushnet EMA members on various potential responses during disasters. Additionally, Red Cross training classes on Mass Care and Shelter operations and simulation were held at the AEMA building in February 2011 through a Red Cross instructor as well as National Weather Service (NWS) SKYWARN training in April 2011. AEMA member, Rob Macedo, taught the SKYWARN Training class.

We continue to have access to the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) Web EOC program, public safety and Amateur Radio communications resources. AEMA supported providing services to backup Public Safety with weather related incidents to block off streets if an accident or tree damage occurred and to provide auxiliary support to Eastern Massachusetts ARES as the ARES sub-regional command center. The AEMA supported Acushnet Police, Fire and DPW for the response of Tropical Storm Irene's impact to the town on Sunday August 28th, 2011. AEMA held a meeting for the town selectmen and heads of public safety on Saturday August 27th, 2011 to gauge what the town's response would be to Irene and the response fit well with the storm's impact. Director Bergeron and Deputy Director Sounik held the meeting in the AEMA building with AEMA member, Rob Macedo, providing a weather briefing for the meeting. During Irene's impact on the town, AEMA supported blocking off roads and clearing tree damage to keep major roads open to residents in coordination with police, fire and DPW and AEMA HQ was staffed to provide an Amateur Radio communications link for South Coastal Massachusetts, Cape Cod and between AEMA and MEMA, the

Report of the Acushnet Emergency Management Agency

National Weather Service in Taunton and the National Hurricane Center in Miami Florida. Damage reports for the town were relayed to AEMA, MEMA, NWS Taunton and the National Hurricane Center via Amateur Radio.

The town based activities for the past year include providing lighting at town events, traffic control at planned activities such as the Cruise Night, the Car Show and Lincoln Park theme weekend, Halloween parade, Christmas Sing-a-Long, and Labor Day Road Race. We also provide mutual aid support for Fairhaven for their Fathers Day Road Race. AEMA was very active in the town's events for the 9/11 Memorial dedication on the grounds of the Acushnet Fire station on Sunday September 11th to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the September 11th terrorist attacks. The AEMA also participated in the MEMA Statewide Hurricane Exercise in August 2011 along with the monthly MEMA Regional RACES and monthly Eastern Massachusetts ARES Nets.

Operations Officer, Tony Duarte, supported a major computer and phone system upgrade to the facility. This was made possible via a \$2,000 dollar grant that AEMA received along with additional funding provided from an article that was placed on the Town Meeting warrant. This has made the AEMA building facility state of the art in terms of its computer and phone technology that can be used for training and disaster related incidents. Additionally, an Amateur Radio was donated to enable digital communication backup via Amateur Radio which will allow for email and message traffic to be sent via digital means which will be more efficient for long lists of information to be sent in the event of phone and Internet outages in the town.

This year with the help of the town's DPW and agreement of the Council on Aging Director, Heather Sylvia, a surplus generator was installed at the Council on Aging and now the town can use that building for a shelter when required for disaster related incidents. Also, this year Director Bergeron, with the assistance of the town's grant writer, is continuing to work on acquiring a grant from FEMA to supply the AEMA a new generator for use at the facility and for the town as required.

It is also noted that the AEMA became licensed as an agency station for the Navy-Marine Corps Military Auxiliary Radio System (MARS). This allows the town of Acushnet to operate on certain military circuits by voice and digital systems utilizing MARS call sign, NNN0GPN. Communications Officer, Ed Caron, typically checks into regular nets and tests on the MARS network from AEMA headquarters. The town of Acushnet EOC is one of the only towns in the commonwealth that have this capability. Only the MEMA regional offices and the state emergency operations center have this means of communication available to them.

I would like to personally thank the many members of the Acushnet Emergency Management Agency who give freely of their time based solely on their interest in giving something back to their community. Thank you to the Board of Selectmen and the Town

Report of the Acushnet Emergency Management Agency

Administrator for their continued support, and a very heartfelt thank you to the residents of the town of Acushnet for supporting your local Emergency Management Agency.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerard A. Bergeron; Director

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the officials and residents of the Town of Acushnet, I hereby submit my report for the year ending December 31, 2011.

On behalf of the men and women of the Acushnet Police Department I would like to thank the residents for their continued support for a new Police Station. We would also like to thank the members of the Building Committee who are helping guide us through this critical process. The committee will be able to provide you with the results of a feasibility study by the summer of 2012.

The Acushnet Detective Division conducted 7 search warrants that targeted narcotic sales this year. Several arrests were made and illicit drugs were seized. The Detectives investigated 5 sexual assault cases involving children in 2011. One suspect has pled guilty and is serving a two-year sentence while charges are pending in the other cases. Paul Silva was sentenced to 12-18 years for the 2010 assault with intent rape of a barmaid from one of the bars located in Town. Detectives were able to solve two B&E cases and a complicated vandalism case utilizing fingerprint evidence.

The Collaboration between the Acushnet Council on Aging and the Acushnet Police Department had another successful year. COA Director Heather Sylvia and Officer Louann Jenkinson developed several new outreach programs that serve our community by coordinating Federal, State and Local resources to provide aid for our senior residents and their families. For more information about these programs please contact the COA at 508-998-0280 or log onto www.acushnetpd.com.

The Acushnet Police Department would like to congratulate Officer Louann Jenkinson who has been named the 2011 Acushnet Woman of the year. Officer Jenkinson received numerous nominations for this prestigious award. Officer Jenkinson has touched the lives of countless people during her 29-year career for the Town of Acushnet. In her role as the Department's Family Resource Officer, she has tackled domestic violence cases by not only protecting victim's but by aiding victims with referrals to outside agencies and following up with them to ensure their progress on the road to healing

Part-Time Officer Danny DeAmaral has been promoted to a full-time officer and he will be replacing one of the four open fulltime vacancies. The Department is waiting for an available opening at a police academy to enroll Officer DeAmaral for his 6 months of training. We are anticipating that Officer DeAmaral will have completed the process in the fall of 2012.

On behalf of the entire police department I would like to thank the Selectmen, Town Officials and residents that have supported us throughout the year.

Following is a list of activities and the current staff of the department.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Calls for Service	7216
209A/HPO Requested	34
209A Violated	10
Abandoned Vehicle	3
Accidental Injury	0
Administrative Duties	119
Alarm Calls	622
Ambulance	691
Animal Complaint	195
Arrests	319
Assault/simple	81
B&E motor vehicle	73
B&E	54
Death/Accidental	0
Death/Natural, unattended	3
Disorderly, disturbing peace	42
Disturbance, noise complaint	100
Domestic Disturbance	164
Domestic Disturbance, verbal	24
DUI	22
E911 hang up/abandoned	17
E911 Test call	7
Elder Affairs	112
Family Resource	6
Fireruns	204
Fireworks	11
Follow up to prev. call	247
Forgery/Counterfeiting	4
Found Items	58
Fraud/Bad checks	53
Harassment	53
Home Invasions	2
Humane calls/Injured animal	108
Hunting violations	3

Illegal Dumping	0
Impounded Dogs	3
Items returned to owner	6
Drugs, possession/distribution	15
Liquor law violation	11
Larceny	98
Littering	6
Loitering/Curfew	3
Lost items	17
Mental Investigation	4
Missing Person-adult	6
Missing Person-child	1
Murder/Manslaughter	0
M.V recoveries	7
M.V. stolen	10
Neighbor Problems	56
Notifications	138
Offenses Against the family	2
Open Windows/Door	10
Protective Custody	15
Robbery	3
Runaway	2
SAIN interview	6
Sex Offenses	4
Shots fired	26
Suicide/Attempted Suicide	13
Suspicious m.v.	221
Suspicious	116
Suspicious investigation	314
Traffic Accidents	214
Traffic Accidents/hit&run	34
Traffic Accident fatalities	2
Traffic Moving	1003
Vandalism/destruction of property	80

MEMBERS OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF OF POLICE

Michael G. Alves

SERGEANTS

Thomas L. Carreau
Christopher R. Richmond
Gary S. Coppa
John A. Bolarinho

FULL TIME OFFICERS

Paul J. Melo
James D. Costa
Michael A. Matton
Jeremy T. Fontes

Louann Jenkinson
Keith A. Ashley
Derek W. Cathcart
Steven Soqui

PART TIME OFFICERS

Michael J. Nunes
Gene W. Robinson
Ryan Lavioe

John Almeida Jr.
Jason Matton
Philip Adams

DISPATCHERS

Jolene M. Olivier
Susan M. Nocon
Laurent R. St. Jean

Respectfully submitted,

Michael G. Alves
Chief of Police

2011 ANNUAL REPORT
of the
ACUSHNET PLANNING COMMISSION

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The Planning Commission respectfully submits the following report for the calendar year 2011.

The Planning Commission generally held regular meetings one Thursday a month, on a date agreed upon by the members, beginning at 6:30 PM. Regular meetings are held in the Planning Department office on the second floor of the Parting Ways Building. Public hearings and on-site meetings were posted in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, and most meetings have been televised.

The public is always invited to attend the public meetings. In past years, the Planning Commission was able to receive last minute submissions at their meetings. This has been negated due to a change in the Open Meeting Law requiring a posting of the complete agenda for every department more than 48 hours before the meeting. If your business is not on the agenda before the posting time, we regretfully cannot hear you. You will be directed to get on the agenda for the next meeting.

The Planning Department had a busy year of community service. Under the direction of Town Planner, Henry Young, we have moved forward on several strategic economic development initiatives. The rezoning of the 40 acre Business/Commercial (B/C) zoning district anchored by the former Titleist property on Slocum Street has been a catalyst for economic development. The property was purchased in the Spring and redevelopment plans are well underway to bring warehousing and distribution uses to a portion of the site. Development plans for the former Titleist site will preserve right-of-way for the longer term planned bypass road, which will run from South Main Street to the Slocum Street Bridge. The rezoned Nye's Lane Business/Commercial district has also been an active site for redevelopment. In a time of economic uncertainty, Acushnet is slowly and steadily moving ahead with economic development on a level that modestly creates jobs and grows our economic tax base, but does not diminish our Town & Country character.

A new Massachusetts General Law permitting by-right development of solar farms has been a challenge for our Town. Recognizing that Acushnet was vulnerable to unregulated development, the Planning Board sponsored a Solar Farm By-Law which now affords the Town a measured level of protection. The By-Law, which cannot prohibit but can regulate solar farming, was passed at Town Meeting. Since then two solar farms have been permitted in Acushnet. Significant and healthy citizen discussions and collaboration with Town officials has resulted in a fair and balanced process to manage this new land use.

Thirty years after its initial construction, the disposition of the Forestdale Development was finally settled. Property owners living in this private development were facing an imminent health and safety threat from an aging sewer infrastructure. Following a partial system failure, Town officials declared the Forestdale Development's sewer system a

public nuisance. Subsequently, the Board of Selectmen and Planning Department, in collaboration with other Town departments developed a strategy to take ownership of the roads, right-of-ways and sewer infrastructure. A public meeting was held with the owners of the Forestdale Development to explain the plan and solicit their support and cooperation. In the Fall Town Meeting, voters overwhelmingly supported municipal acceptance of the Forestdale Development infrastructure and related right-of-ways. Placement of all infrastructure under the professional management of the Department of Public Works thereby eliminated the potential for a major health risk, damage to private property and further legal action. Resolution of this issue demonstrated the growing ability of our Town government to work together, engage the public and protect the well being of our community.

The Planning Department continues to author and win grants to support and compliment our efforts, including a State grant to continue the planning of the Acushnet River Trail bike path project. This plan, which is quickly gaining momentum, seeks to install a bike path along the Acushnet River from the Acushnet Saw Mill property to the Fairhaven Town Line. Potentially, the bike path would link to the Phoenix bike path in Fairhaven and a bike system under design in New Bedford. Within Acushnet, the path will be approximately 2.2 miles and afford active recreation to bikers, joggers and walkers. This project will be a central feature of Acushnet's plans for the development of recreational opportunities in Town. The Town Planner will be pursuing funding for future bike path construction through the State's Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Acushnet is also an active participant in regional planning. Our Town Planner is a Commissioner of the Southeast Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD), a member of the SRPEDD Joint Transportation Planning Group and a member of the MBTA Southeastern Massachusetts Commuter Rail Task Force. The Town Planner is also our representative to the South Coast Wind Collaborative and Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources. He is a certified LEED AP which is an important credential for the Planning Department to maintain in-house as municipal energy and environmental requirements become more complex. The Town Planner also serves on the Acushnet Public Safety Building Committee, Acushnet Library Feasibility Committee, Acushnet Alternative Energy Committee and the Acushnet Housing Partnership. The Planning Commission is also fortunate to have Donna Ellis as our Administrative Assistant. Her seventeen years of experience in public policy are an invaluable asset to the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

The Planning Commission
Marc Cenerizio, Chairman
Richard Ellis
Richard P. Forand
Leo Coons, Jr.
Mark DeSilva

Henry Young, Town Planner
Donna M. Ellis, Administrative Assistant

REPORT TO THE TOWN OF ACUSHNET FROM THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (SRPEDD)

The Town of Acushnet is a member of the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District. SRPEDD (pronounced sir-ped) is the regional agency serving twenty-seven cities and towns in southeastern Massachusetts dealing with common issues facing our region, such as economic development, growth and land development, transportation, environment and general planning for the future. SRPEDD is governed by a Commission of local mayors, selectmen, planning board members and at large members. We are funded by federal and state grants and local assessments. For 2011, the Town of Acushnet paid \$1,664.24 to SRPEDD, based upon an assessment of 16.15 cents per capita.

Local citizens serving at SRPEDD included the following:

- < SRPEDD Commission: Henry Young
- < Joint Transportation Planning Group: Henry Young and David Wojnar

Some of SRPEDD's more significant accomplishments during 2011 were:

- SRPEDD's **Municipal Partnership** program launched new efforts to help improve operating efficiencies of member cities and towns. The regional purchasing program teamed with the Town of Kingston for a group bid for office supplies, resulting in significant savings to participants. SRPEDD worked with a consortium of local Boards of Health to study the feasibility of regionalizing some functions.
- A feasibility study was conducted for 19 communities on **911 dispatch operations** to make recommendations on enhancements to public safety. The study proposes consolidation of local emergency dispatch operations into 2 regional centers to save over \$4 million annually. Regional training for dispatchers is also underway.
- The **Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**, which sets regional priorities for federal transportation funds, was completed and approved for 2011. The TIP targets apply to highway projects, and transit funds for GATRA and SRTA.
- The **Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)** was completed and approved in 2011. The plan sets the framework for future transportation investments in Southeastern Massachusetts.
- **Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for Southeastern Massachusetts**, a regional economic development strategy, was completed and certified by the U.S. Economic Development Administration, making the region eligible for federal economic development grants from EDA.

- The **Taunton River** was designated by the US National Park Service as a **Wild and Scenic** River in 2009. The Taunton River Stewardship Council made up of representatives from the ten municipalities abutting the Taunton River, along with supporting agencies, continues to meet at SRPEDD to guide protection of the river.
- **South Coast Rail** remained a major priority in 2011. SRPEDD continued to support the Southeastern Massachusetts Commuter Rail Task Force, which includes representation from SRPEDD municipalities and regional organizations. Plans for development around the train stations are being developed.
- SRPEDD continued as the designated fiduciary agent by the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety for the **Southeast Regional Advisory Council for Homeland Security** serving 96 communities in 6 counties in southeastern Massachusetts. The Council has awarded more than \$25.4 million in federal homeland security funds since 2004.
- SRPEDD conducts a **district-wide traffic counting program** (including speed surveys and vehicle classification, and 45 intersection turning movement counts) and maintains a computer file of all available traffic count data throughout the region. SRPEDD undertook 124 traffic counts at various locations this past year.
- An extensive **Geographic Information System (GIS)** mapping program is maintained by SRPEDD. Every year new computerized “data layers” are added to the system
- SRPEDD operates the **Southeastern Massachusetts Data Center**, providing information to businesses, cities and towns, and individuals.
- In cooperation with UMass Dartmouth, SRPEDD organized the **Southeastern Massachusetts Council on Sustainability**. The broad-based Council is addressing how the region prepares for the future.
- SRPEDD continues to provide planning and support to the two regional transit authorities, **SRTA and GATRA**, on various efforts including: consumer advisory committees, route evaluations, planning, monitoring services and federal reporting.
- SRPEDD maintains a comprehensive database of all 355 signalized intersections in the region. This includes geometry, traffic volume, crash rate, signal timing and operational characteristics.
- SRPEDD continued its affiliation with the South Eastern Economic Development (SEED) Corporation, which makes loans to small businesses for expansion.

In addition, technical assistance was provided to the Town of Acushnet in the following areas:

- Information was provided to the town on the MGL Chapter 40R Smart Growth Overlay districts (SCR).

- Further assistance was provided in the planning of a Regional Bikeway as a bike-pedestrian connection around the Acushnet River linking the Waterfront Park to Fairhaven and New Bedford. (SCR), (MA)
- Open Space and Recreation Plan information was provided to the Town at the Open Space and Recreation Planning Forum.

SRPEDD was created to serve the cities and towns of southeastern Massachusetts. We are governed by elected and appointed officials from all the cities and towns. We look forward to serving you in the future.

Report of the Acushnet Historical Commission

Two thousand eleven was another good year at the Long Plain Museum and the Friends Quaker Meetinghouse. The selectmen had their annual meeting on September 12th at the Meetinghouse. The car show in October, held at the Meetinghouse, had a good turnout. Forty five cars were in the show, and we had a DJ and a food wagon. The crowd was very interested in the Meetinghouse. They found it interesting and in such good condition.

The Commission would like to be able to have more events at the Meetinghouse, such as birthday parties, or small weddings. We do not have water available at the Meetinghouse and would need to rent a port-a-john for each event. In the future, there is a possibility to tie into town water, with wells located next door. Community Preservation may be able to help us in the future by installing a septic system. These are things for the future.

The Historical Commission applied for \$25,000 to rebuild the carriage houses at the Meetinghouse through CPC and it was approved at Town Meeting. Steps are needed before construction, a survey/recommendation report from a Historical Preservationist. Hopefully two thousand twelve will be the year and we are very excited to get this step completed. Work was completed on the clapboard siding at the Meetinghouse. Some electrical work was done and spraying was done to prevent carpenter ants and other insects.

The Historical Commission has received another \$500.00 from Town Meeting to place historical signs throughout town. Total of twelve historical signs have been replaced including our cemetery signs. Some of them never had signs. Thanks to Town Meeting approval of funds, we have almost completed this project.

The Long Plain Museum had a new electrical panel installed at a cost of nineteen hundred and one dollars paid for by the Historical Society who oversees the museum. The chimney was cleaned as well as the furnace. This is an annual procedure.

The students at Old Colony Vocational School, under the direction of Mrs. Karen Guenette, are completing the inventory project at the museum. Karen received two grants to purchase cameras and laptops for the students. She also received sixteen hundred dollars to continue the project. Through the United Way she received five hundred dollars to purchase I-pods. When the inventory is complete, the students will record on the I-pods information from each room at the museum. Each room will have it's own I-pod with a detailed description as to all the items in the room.

Through the Mass Cultural Grant program, we were able to have three concerts in the summer; The Daddy'o group, The Relics, and Walk the Line Band. All these groups are well received on Sunday afternoons at the Long Plain Museum. We are looking forward to next summer's concerts thanks to the Grant program.

Also, many thanks to Leo Tuttle an eighty three year young gentleman who lovingly takes care of the maintainance of the grounds at the Long Plain Museum. He does an amazing job cutting the grass and the cleanup in the spring and fall.

The residents are aware that the Historical Commission is always looking forward to the future in Acushnet with historical projects. The Commission along with

town officials are trying to determine a use for the Severance House. The other project is to get the Long Plain Museum accepted for the National Historic Register. The Perry Hill Church is another project. An appraisal was completed for the Church and given to Town Counsel who is completing a Title search on the property before the Town can acquire ownership. The Commission would then be able to do the repairs that are needed to protect the building from the weather. Estimate of repairs came in at eighteen thousand two hundred five dollars.

We have a very active Historical Commission here in Acushnet and are always looking for new members interested in the history of Acushnet and preserving it.

The annual Apple/Peach Festival was held on the grounds of the Long Plain Museum on September 10th and 11th, 2011.

The History of Acushnet book and the Ancient Cemetery book are still available by calling Pauline 508-961-7843.

Respectfully submitted,

Pauline Teixeira-Chairperson
Joyce Reynolds-Acting Secretary
Madeline J. Gwozdz
Robert Hall
Acushnet Historical Commission

Acushnet Park Department 2011 Report

To the good townspeople of Acushnet, we submit to you the following report for the calendar year ending December 31st, 2011.

In March, Park Supervisor Don Camara kicked off the activities at Pope Park with a mighty cleanup effort. Once again he and his crew have been keeping up the appearance of the park, as it looks fantastic.

In April, long time Park Department member Marc Antone finished his last term. Marc had been on the board since 1998. He has managed many projects over the years, but some of the biggest ones where the remodeling of Pope Park and the reconfiguration of the playground at the top of the park. His dedication and drive will be solely missed, but the board wishes him nothing but good fortune in his future endeavors. With that being said, we welcome James Madruga to the board. He was elected in April and has hit the ground running with refreshing ideas to enhance the Pope Park experience. Welcome Jimmy.

Once again, Catherine Jason ran her six week summer youth program, with 185 Acushnet children attending the program in any given week. This very successful program allows children access to adult supervised crafts and sporting activities, for two hours each weekday morning during the summer. With budget cuts that limited her funding, Cathy has managed to keep this great program going. It truly is a benefit to the entire town.

Because of ongoing vandalism at the Park, the new state of the art surveillance system was brought online in June of 2011. This system will help to keep the park safe for all. And once again, we ask for more police patrols to keep things safe in the summertime.

In July, we dedicated the playground at Pope Park as the Marc Antone Playground for all children to enjoy for years to come. Thanks again for all your work Marc.

One of our goals for 2011 was to purchase the Cusson property with the assistance of the CPC, and turn it into the new Veterans Memorial Park. When that did not materialize, we realized as a board, that the top of the park would be a great location for the memorial. We made a formal invitation to Tom DeCosta and the Veterans Memorial Park committee and it was accepted. We as a board, look forward to working with him to see it completed.

In closing the Park Board would be remiss in not thanking the residents of Acushnet for having the foresight and patience to allow us to rebuild and maintain Pope Park as the

jewel that it is. We as a board, continue to be highly motivated in making the appropriate improvements and to provide proper maintenance to Pope Park, in the hope that it maintains its rightful place as the center of summertime activity in the town.

We greatly appreciate the continued support of the residents of Acushnet, and look forward to an evenly greater 2012.

Respectfully yours,

Acushnet Park Board

Michael Desrosiers – Chairman
Wayne Richmond
James Madruga

2011 Acushnet Town Report

Acushnet River Valley Golf Course

Acushnet River Valley Golf Course

This year's economic climate is one of uncertainty, but this year's uncertainties are somewhat less urgent. It appears we have begun to realize that we may have bounced off the bottom and begun to recover. An atmosphere of hope is present in our minds and is reflected by interactions with our customers. As we stated last season, it is more about preservation than it is growth and expansion for most businesses in this economy. This is true for the golf industry, those that execute effectively will continue to grow and prosper as the market eventually lifts out of this tough stage of the unknown. It is more difficult to attract new customers than it is to maintain a loyal foundation of customers, and by achieving the latter you eventually capture both types of customers, as word of mouth continues to grow. With this understanding, it has been recognized that the surrounding competition has undergone a massive constriction. Numerous golf courses have declared bankruptcy (i.e., Bay Pointe, Lakeville, Hawthorne Country Club, and The Bay Club declared Chapter 11 protection.) Some of these golf courses have sold at Auction and are planning to open this upcoming season. A lot of last years aggressive advertising for these courses offering low priced memberships offers was a last ditch effort of survival.

We continue to adhere to our business model of being an affordable option; our conditions and layout are as good if not better than the competitive market offerings. Anybody can advertise a product but implementation of a good campaign which resonates in the market area, potentially generates significant revenues. This is the same opportunity that existed last year due to hard economic times. It is even more relevant this year as some people have decided not to vacation for several years now. I believe this is the year that the avid golfer begins to return to relaxation on the golf course, many sacrifices have been made for a few years now. People reach a point where they decide it is time for me to enjoy myself. This will include a few more rounds of golf and new golf supplies.

I am proud to say Acushnet River Valley is ONE of the few succeeding in this economic climate. We have always believed and held true to our vision of providing the best possible experience for a fair price. In doing so, we have earned the respect and loyalty from a very large market area.

This year we are taking a proactive approach to capture business as it begins its ascent back to the top. We have reduced our outing rates in an effort to capture some additional rounds of golf in off peak times. This is a wise decision as it will require that we only need to get 3 new outings to cover the price reduction, (which we have already booked for this season). Any other new outings or increased participation of our current loyal events will lead us to increased revenue streams that are being competed for in the market

place. We have elected to HOLD our season pass holder rates again for the 5th year in a row & include promotional incentives for purchases made in off peak season months! This is one of our strongest characteristics in managing the golf course, aggressive marketing and flexibility to adapt to current market conditions and demands.

We are committed to providing our best effort to create an affordable golf experience. Other golf courses may claim this same objective; the difference with ACUSHNET is we follow through on our commitment. We have successfully reduced our budget proactively this season without sacrificing the quality of the product and services we offer.

I would like to thank the team of Acushnet River Valley staff for representing the town with exceptional dedication in achieving our objectives to offer outstanding professional customer service. We all look forward to next years challenges.
Thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,
Dana Przybyszewski

**REPORT OF THE
RUSSELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY
2011**

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The mission of the Russell Memorial Library is to provide free and open access to innovative library services, delivered in an efficient and effective manner that will:

- Provide the materials, programs, and services needed to meet recreational needs.
- Provide the materials, tools, and assistance needed to help students succeed in a formal educational program.
- Provide a safe, inviting, and neutral public space that helps to address the need of people to meet and interact with others in their community and to participate in public discourse about community issues.

The six-member Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library has the custody and management of the library and all related property. The Board meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 6 P.M. in the library meeting room. Any changes or additions to this schedule are posted in the Library, at Town Hall, and on Cable TV.

Jayme Z. Viveiros, Director B.A. Stonehill College, M.S.L.I.S. Simmons College.
Denise Charland, Assistant Director; Constance Preston, Sandra Medeiros, & Pauline Prudhomme, Library Technicians; Cindy Souza, Page; Elaine Spinale, Custodian.

The Library at 88 Main Street is open year round:

Monday and Wednesday	10-8
Tuesday and Thursday	1-8
Saturday	9-3
Telephone	(508) 998-0270
Fax	(508) 998-0271
Website	www.sailsinc.org/acushnet

To obtain a library card, please present positive identification and proof of address. A child may have a card with parental permission when able to print his/her name. No card is required to use materials and services within the library.

The Library offers books, videos, recorded books, newspapers, magazines, music CDs, CD-ROMs, Internet access, on-line databases, and word processing at no cost. Printers, a copy machine, and a fax machine are available to the public for a small fee. When not in use, the Meeting Room is available to municipal and community organizations who need a place to meet.

The Library is a full voting member of the SAILS Library Network. Through SAILS, library patrons have access to the collections of over 60 libraries. In addition to the automated system, SAILS provides professional cataloging services, technical support, and continuing education. The SAILS system allows users with an internet connection to search the catalog, reserve materials, check on holds, items out, and even renew from home.

The Library is also a member of the Southeastern Massachusetts Regional Library System (SEMLS), a division of the state library system. SEMLS provides delivery of materials between libraries, regional reference and inter-library loan service, on-line databases, deposit collections, staff training, Summer Reading materials, and professional consultants at no charge to the library.

The library maintained state certification in 2011. Required: a Director with a Master's Degree in Library Studies from an accredited institution and certification by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners; a minimum of 40 hours open per week; a minimum of 16% of the total budget expended on materials; a municipal appropriation that increases by 2½% each year over a 3 year average. Certification entitles Acushnet residents to borrow materials from other Massachusetts libraries and qualifies the Town to apply for state aid and state grants to libraries – these elements allow the library to provide residents with a wider variety of materials, and also assist the library in providing additional services.

Free children's programs support emerging literacy. Story Time uses books, songs, crafts, and finger plays to teach listening skills, develop attention span, exercise fine motor skills, and foster a love of books. Summer Reading encourages children to read during the summer, reinforcing the skills gained during the school year. All registered members of the summer reading program are invited to make crafts, enter weekly drawings for prizes and come to a special end of summer celebration. We are grateful to the Acushnet Cultural Council for awarding the library a grant for this year's summer reading program "One World, Many Stories". This year's kick-off event, held at the Acushnet Community Center, featured a visit from magician Tommy James, who performed his Magic of Books show to demonstrated how reading inspires imagination as some very popular story books, including the Velveteen Rabbit, Secret Garden & Charlotte's Web, came to life! We also hosted weekly events at the library throughout the program.

The library also holds programs for adults. A Knitters Circle meets twice a month, led by staff member Denise Charland. A Reader's Group meets once a month to discuss a book selected by the members. We are grateful to Jean Stripinis, for the many hours that she volunteers as program leader. All are welcome to join these groups.

In addition to our regularly scheduled meetings, we held several adult programs geared to educate the public about a topic. The Harper and the Minstrel offered an Early Music program that highlighted music from the 11th through the 17th Centuries including the Renaissance Period. Downs Sizing Your Stuff, with David Downs, explored the many,

sometimes comical, reasons that our sheds, garages and homes get filled with STUFF and what to do about it!

We also hosted two talks by local authors this year. Lynda Ames came to speak about her book, *In the Dark Woods of Wareham: Murder of the Egg Man*, which chronicles the 150 year old murder of Richard Nelson Lawton in South Wareham, its investigation, and the subsequent trial. Edward Lodi spoke about the uprising of Indian tribes against the English that spread from southeastern Massachusetts throughout all of New England, from his book, *Curious Incidents in King Philip's War*.

Most programming and all special events are made possible by the generous donation of money and time from the Friends of the Acushnet Public Library. We are grateful to them for their hard work and dedication throughout the year.

We thank the businesses, organizations, and individuals who fund our summer reading program, The Parting of the Ways Beautification Committee for plantings and holiday decorations and the many library patrons who donate time and materials.

The Board of Trustees also thanks the citizens of Acushnet, Town officers, and other Town departments for their support throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Bartolome
Simonne Coutinho
JoAnn Bertrand, Secretary
Kristen Leotti, Chair
Henry Preston
Jean Stripinis

RUSSELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY

STATISTICAL REPORT 2011

Active Borrowers.....	4,012
Children's Programs Held.....	31
Attendance, Children's Programs.....	757
Adult Programs Held.....	118
Attendance at Adult Programs.....	908
Computers for Public Use.....	5
Public Internet Access.....	4
Meeting Room Use.....	149
Materials Holdings (Number of items)	
Books.....	23,985
Periodical subscriptions.....	98
Videos.....	2,241
Audio(cassettes and CDs).....	699
Children's eBooks.....	407
Adult eBooks.....	1,765
Downloadable Audio.....	2,657
Circulation (Times Borrowed)	
Books.....	30,281
Periodicals.....	5,193
Video/DVD.....	11,939
Audio.....	2,023
Miscellaneous (equipment, museum passes, etc.).....	328
Children's eBooks.....	11,030
Adult eBooks.....	230
Downloadable Audio.....	292
Total Items circulated.....	61,316

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN'S SERVICES

(Jan. 31, 2012)

To the residents and town officials of Acushnet, I submit the following report for Department of Veteran Services.

The purpose of this position is to provide assistance for military veterans and their families in matters relating to their rights and benefits under various government programs for the Town of Acushnet. The incumbent Veteran Service Officer establishes support programs for financial, medical, educational and vocational matters. Work is generally performed in the second floor office of Town Hall during varied days of the week to accommodate phone requests of veterans. Meetings with veterans are held throughout the town, at people's homes, hospitals, and other veteran facilities.

It is my duty to make regular contact with recently discharged veterans as well as those having served their country in past wars and conflicts. Contacts are also made in person, by telephone, in writing, and by e-mail to Department of Veteran Services employees in the Boston office as well as local contact with VFW and American Legion Posts in Town.

The Veteran Services Officer manages all benefit applications and investigates and approves disbursements of monies and benefits under applicable governing laws and regulations. He assists veterans or their spouses in obtaining service records (DD-214), and assists them in the preparation of various applications and documents pertaining to their health or financial welfare, such as Chapter 115 Veterans Benefits, allowances, state bonuses, G.I. loans and burial allowances. He assists veterans in the preparation of various applications and documents pertaining to their seeking compensation for such health problems they may have developed while serving their country, such as exposure to Agent Orange or PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder).

It is the responsibility of the Town's Veterans Service Officer (VSO) to prepare and submit appeal cases for veterans and their dependents, and appear before the Board of Veterans' Appeal on their behalf. The VSO acts as liaison between State and U.S. representatives on behalf of veterans and their dependents.

As VSO, I assist the veteran to find ways to arrange transportation for disabled or ill veterans to and from VA hospitals or other health care providers. I also serve as Power of Attorney for veterans who request this service when researching and processing their cases to the Rating Review Board of the Department of Veteran Services.

It is the duty of the VSO to perform administrative work necessary to prepare payroll vouchers, billing and related finance and supply duties in-house. The VSO must keep abreast of developments and changes each year by the State Veterans Service Office, as well as keeping abreast of current changes in Massachusetts General Laws and Federal Laws.

I am responsible for assisting the VFW and Legion with flag memorials, and to organize and/or assist with recognition celebrations within the Town of Acushnet. I am available to answer any veterans questions or requests, or those of their widows, simply by contacting my office. The majority of VSOs in the state are full time (40 hrs. wk) with several working 10 to 20 hrs./week.

As the present position of VSO in Acushnet is a “part time” due to the Towns’ population, it is generally my policy to be in my office at the Town Hall Mondays from 8-12 p.m. and Thursdays 11-2 p.m. to work on submitting monthly town payment vouchers to veterans and or their widows, as well as being available for office visits. Variables occur each month, therefore a “set” amount of hours per week is not practical. The hours are to be determined by the requirements of the work load and could vary occasionally.

I am also required to file each month, Town / State reimbursement documents and forms (Chapter 115-Veterans Benefits) of monies paid out by the Town to Veterans or their widows. The State of Massachusetts, Department of Veterans Services, reimburses each city/town in Massachusetts, 75% of all monies paid out by the Towns’ VSO to Veterans and or their widows. Massachusetts is the only State in the country that does this.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald T. Cormier
Veterans Service Officer

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ACUSHNET HOUSING AUTHORITY

April, 2011 marked the 37th year of service to the Town of Acushnet, providing low income housing to elderly and handicapped individuals.

In fiscal 2008, the Authority was awarded Community Preservation Funds to research the land owned by the authority, but not yet developed. The goal of the Acushnet Housing Authority is to develop the land in order to provide Acushnet with additional Housing to meet the needs of its present and future population. The first step in this process was to obtain a survey of the land including and all conditions resulting in an Existing Conditions Plan. The Housing Authority is working with Old Colony Regional to prepare documents to keep the ball rolling toward the goal. They have designed Blue prints to add three additional buildings which will bring 24 new units to the Town of Acushnet.

The Authority received a Grant from Low-Income Multi-Family Retrofit Program giving us twelve new refrigerators, weather stripping for doors and windows, insulating attics, walls and basements, adding proper attic ventilation to all units.

The Authority also received CPA funding to renovate a bathroom in our handicap accessible unit. The bathtub was eliminated to provide a shower that is wheel chair appropriate and plumbing fixtures were added to accommodate independent wheel chair use. There are three units left that we will be seeking CPA funding for in the near future.

A new sign has been placed at the entrance of Presidential Terrace. This new sign allows visitors, local businesses and town residents to notice the entrance when approaching Presidential Terrace. Prior to the new sign, missing the entrance was inevitable.

The Garfield St facility opened its' doors in 1992 and continues to work successfully. The Authority is in the third year of the new contract with the Department of Mental Health and their vendor Fellowship Health Resources. A new contract was developed with DMH and DHCD to ensure open communication between departments, the vendors and the leasing Housing Authorities. The new contract is working well for all parties in the Town of Acushnet.

A new fence was erected around the property to replace the old fence. Additional fencing was added to ensure the safety of residents.

The Board of Commissioners and staff of the Acushnet Housing Authority appreciates everyone who assists the Authority in providing safe and secure housing to the elderly and handicapped who have chosen Acushnet to remain their hometown.

James Madruga

Lawrence Marshall

Lawrence Mulvey

Richard Threlfall

Rene Racine

REPORT OF THE ACUSHNET PUBLIC SCHOOLS

I am delighted to offer the annual report on the state of public education in the Town of Acushnet for the year 2011.

School Committee:

The school committee is the governing board of the town's public school system. In Acushnet, the committee is a five-member board elected to three overlapping terms. Current members of the Acushnet School Committee are:

Douglas Coray, Chairman
Michelle DeTerra, Secretary
John Howcroft

David DeTerra, Vice-Chairman
Frank Kuthan

In April 2011, David DeTerra and Frank Kuthan were re-elected to three-year terms, while John Howcroft was elected to serve the remaining year of the seat he was appointed to by the selectmen and the remaining members of the school committee in May 2010.

The school committee maintains several subcommittees. Members that make up these subcommittees are as follows:

- Budget Subcommittee- David DeTerra (Chair), Frank Kuthan
- Facilities Maintenance and Energy Conservation Subcommittee- Frank Kuthan (Chair), Douglas Coray
- Negotiations Subcommittee- Douglas Coray (Chair), Frank Kuthan
- Policy Subcommittee- Michelle DeTerra (Chair), John Howcroft

Additionally, the school committee maintains other positions as follows:

- Old Colony Vocational Appointment Committee- David DeTerra, John Howcroft, Michelle DeTerra
- Southeastern Massachusetts Educational Collaborative Representative- Frank Kuthan

Districtwide:

There was one change to the Acushnet Central Office in 2011. In December, Gilbert DeMello retired from his position as a Senior Account Clerk after 23 years of service to the Acushnet Public Schools. The position was modified and Sandra Raposo was hired as the Senior Accounting Clerk to replace Mr. DeMello.

As of October 1, 2011, there were 1006 students PK through grade 8 in the Acushnet Public Schools. This figure is one student less than what was reported for the same date in 2010. The student enrollment for the Albert F. Ford Middle School increased by two students (483 to 485), and the enrollment for the Acushnet Elementary School decreased by three students (524 to 521). The percentage of low income students increased for the sixth year in a row and now stands at 25.3%. This compares to 11.4% in October 2005.

Acushnet tuitions its high school students out to Bristol County Agricultural High School, Fairhaven High School, New Bedford High School, and Old Colony Vocational

Technical High School. All but the latter high school is accounted for in the Acushnet Public Schools budget. As of the first tuition billings, 14 students were enrolled at Bristol County Agricultural High School, 138 students were attending Fairhaven High School, and 109 students were enrolled at New Bedford High School.

The Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) is administered annually to students in Massachusetts in accordance with the Education Reform Law of 1993. These state tests are designed to measure performance based on the learning standards in the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks and serve as one measure of accountability for students, schools, and districts.

Overall, the percentage of students who attend the Acushnet Public Schools scoring a 220 (needs improvement) or higher was equal to or greater than the state average for all of the 14 MCAS tests administered to students in the district for the fifth straight year. The percentage of students who attend the Acushnet Public Schools scoring a 240 (proficient) or higher was equal to or greater than the state average for 10 of the 14 MCAS tests in 2011.

The No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) requires that all students reach proficiency in mathematics and English/language arts by the year 2014. Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) reports the progress schools and districts are making toward having all students reach this goal. In Massachusetts' case, proficiency is demonstrated by a score of 240 on the MCAS. NCLB makes provisions for schools that do not demonstrate AYP. Those schools that do not meet AYP for two consecutive years must follow a required course of action to improve school performance. A school or district's "accountability status" defines that course of action. Accountability status designations include improvement, corrective action, and restructuring. These designations further break down into Accountability and Assistance Levels from one to five.

There are four factors that determine AYP: student participation, the state performance target, the improvement target, and student attendance. A school or district must meet the requirements for student participation and student attendance while also meeting either the state performance target or improvement target for the aggregate and the subgroups to obtain AYP. Acushnet has continually met the participation and attendance requirements, so one has only needed to focus on the performance and improvement targets in order to determine AYP.

In 2011, the Albert F. Ford Middle School (FMS) was designated for Improvement Year 2 for subgroups in English/language arts and Improvement Year 2 for the subgroups and the aggregate for mathematics. An Improvement Year 2 designation translates to a Level 1 Accountability and Assistance Level. As a result, the school is required to consider revising its school improvement plan and to notify parents/guardians of the school's NCLB Accountability Status.

In 2011, the Acushnet Elementary School (AES) was designated for Improvement Year 2 for subgroups in mathematics and Corrective Action for subgroups in English/language arts. A Corrective Action designation translates to a Level 2 Accountability and Assistance Level. As a result, AES, which is a Title I School, is required to revise the

school improvement plan accordingly to reflect the planning or implementation of one or more corrective action steps, notify parents/guardians of the school's NCLB Accountability Status, and reserve 20% of the Title I allocation for Supplemental Educational Services (SES). SES is additional academic instruction outside of the school day given by outside vendors and designed to increase the achievement of low-income students. The elementary school was required to offer SES to select students who met the income limits for free and reduced lunch.

District AYP determinations are based on grade span results (grades 3-5, 6-8, and 9-12). If one grade span is successful in meeting the participation, attendance, and the performance or improvement requirements, then the district attains AYP for that particular subject. The district was designated for Improvement Year 1 for subgroups in English/language arts and Corrective Action for subgroups in mathematics. A Corrective Action designation translates to a Level 2 Accountability and Assistance Level for the district. As a result, the district is required to revise the district improvement plan, notify parents/guardians of the district's NCLB Accountability Status, and reserve not less than 10% of the district's Title I funds for professional development.

It is important to put the annual assessments based on the requirements of both the requirements of NCLB and the state's five-level Accountability and Assistance Levels into proper context, because these designations can often give the impression that districts and schools are failing when in all actuality this is not accurate. For example, it should be noted that 81% of schools and 90% of districts in Massachusetts are currently not achieving AYP, despite the fact that Massachusetts 4th and 8th graders outscored their peers in the other 49 states on the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) in both reading and mathematics for the fourth consecutive time.

In October 2009, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) unveiled a new means of reporting MCAS results known as the growth model. The Student Growth Percentile (SGP) measures how much a student's performance has improved from one year to the next relative to his or her academic peers (other students statewide with a similar MCAS test score history). The calculation answers the question, "Among other students with similar MCAS test score histories in previous years, what is the range of scores attained this year?" The model then uses the answer to determine whether a student grew at a faster or slower rate than the student's peers. The results for districts, schools, grade levels, etc. are reported by taking the median or the middle score if the individual student growth percentiles are ranked from highest to lowest.

The SGP for the students at the Acushnet Elementary School was at the 54th percentile in English/language arts, which is an improvement from the 42nd percentile in 2010. The SGP for mathematics was at the 55th percentile, which is down from the 57.5 growth percentile in 2010. At the middle school, the SGP was at the 51st percentile in English/language arts compared to the 40th percentile the year before. The SGP for mathematics was also up from the 38th percentile in 2010 to the 44th percentile in 2011. For the district as a whole, the SGP was at the 51st percentile in English/language arts and 45th percentile in mathematics. This was an increase from the 40th percentile in English/language arts and the 41st percentile in mathematics in 2010.

According to the DESE, high growth is defined as growth in a subject at or above the 60th percentile, typical growth is between the 40th and 60th percentile, and low growth is below the 40th percentile.

The district continued its data analysis process in 2011. Teams of teachers at both schools once again met to identify student weaknesses for different student populations and subject areas. Action plans were developed based on the data in order to address these student weaknesses. These action actions were compiled into the annual MCAS Data Analysis Report unveiled in November 2011. This information in this report influences school and district improvement plans and school budgets.

Curriculum Instruction Assessment (CIA) committees continued to meet twice per month to discuss and revamp curriculum, evaluate instruction, as well as analyze data with the goal of improving student achievement. This collaborative practice has proven to be an important part of enhancing classroom practice.

The professional development committee planned many professional development opportunities for the district. The district offered workshops on the following topics: DIBELS Next, Motivating Unmotivated Students, Introduction to Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS), Introduction to Active Inspire, Introduction to Renaissance Place, Introduction to Safari Montage, Lexia Usage and Management, LETRS Training, Writing Benchmarks and Rubrics, CPR/First Aid/AED Training, and Effective Practices for Paraprofessionals.

The Acushnet Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) continued to play an important role in the success of our schools in 2011. Members of the PTO continued to donate many hours of their time volunteering for school events and organizing and administering PTO-sponsored events. Their fundraising efforts continued to provide the district with monies for field trips, activities, and special events for Acushnet students.

The Facilities Maintenance and Energy Conservation Subcommittee of the Acushnet School Committee continued its effort to reduce energy consumption in the district. The subcommittee has continued to search for ways to reduce energy costs through conservation and the purchase of retrofits. Lights in the elementary school gym were replaced with induction lighting retrofits that use half as much wattage when compared to the high pressure sodium lights previously used. In addition, Variable Frequency Drives (VFDs) were purchased to promote energy savings. A VFD is a system for controlling the frequency of electrical power supplied to motors while maximizing energy efficiency and energy savings. All told, electric usage in the district has decreased by 271,740 Kwhs when comparing what was used in Fiscal Year (FY) 2008 to 2011. This is a 22.31% decrease over the past four school years.

The Acushnet School Committee's Policy Subcommittee worked diligently to revise and eliminate district policies in 2011.

Several school committee policies were revised. These policies are as follows: BBBB School Committee Member Qualification/Oath of Office; BDE Subcommittees of the School Committee; BDFA School Councils; BE School Committee Meetings; BEC

Executive Sessions; BEDA Notification of School Committee Meetings; BEDG Minutes; IGBI Preschool; JP Student Gifts and Solicitations; JE Student Attendance; KG Use of School Facilities; and KHA Solicitations-Selling and Fundraising.

Several school committee policies were eliminated in 2011, including: BCE Special Committees; BD Regular Meetings; BD-R School Committee Meetings; BDDL Adequate Information to Precede Action; and IIBA Teacher Aides.

Albert F. Ford Middle School:

There have been some significant changes at the Albert F. Ford Middle School (FMS) over the past year. Technology has been upgraded in many classrooms with interactive whiteboards, student response devices, and document cameras due to the infusion of money from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) grants. These technology items will afford teachers and students access to up to date teaching tools that enhance teacher instruction, help to better engage students, and create exposure to technologies that are becoming commonplace in this smaller, interconnected, and technology dependent world.

FMS continued to utilize the Accelerated Reader and Accelerated Math programs but upgraded to the more modern web-based version to enhance student mastery of learning objectives. Outdated science and social studies textbooks were replaced with more current materials; each student is now able to access these texts online from any Internet-connected computer, eliminating the need to carry home heavy textbooks, as well as allowing parental access to the day's lessons.

FMS continued to utilize a minimum of 30 minutes each day as "Team Time." This block of time allows teachers to provide small group instruction to remediate students exhibiting difficulty in a given subject. The groups are flexible and are altered according to need and student proficiency. In addition to twice-weekly grade level meetings to evaluate student progress, teachers meet by subject area twice monthly for a minimum of one hour each time to plan curriculum.

In 7th grade, the English Language Arts and literature classes have been combined to provide more instruction in mathematics. With the elimination of literature as a stand-alone class in this grade, an additional mathematics teacher was hired increasing the amount of student time on task in mathematics at this grade level. Thomas Cooney and Marcie Gamelin were hired to fill the additional mathematics position and the other mathematics position, which became vacant after a transfer. In the 8th grade, Karen Carvalho was hired as an additional mathematics teacher, which allowed for class sizes in the most populous grade to be decreased. In addition, a science specialist, Jeremy Kennefick was hired to provide more hands on science instruction to FMS students. Lastly, a vacancy for the computer teacher position was filled by the original 8th grade math teacher, creating a vacancy in 8th grade mathematics. This position was filled with the hiring of Alyssa Chase. The net gain of positions was made possible by monies from the federal Ed Jobs grant.

Acushnet Elementary School:

In 2011, the Acushnet Elementary School (AES) continued to expand its literacy initiative and Response to Intervention (RtI) program. RtI is the practice of providing systematic, researched-based instruction and intervention. Reading intervention periods are designed to provide specific literacy support for all students based on data. Over the past few years, the AES Assessment Team has tested all K-4 students using the Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills (DIBELS) three times per year. DIBELS is a set of procedures and measures for assessing the acquisition of student literacy skills. These assessments are made up of quick, simple tests that allow teachers to identify students who need additional assistance and to monitor the effectiveness of intervention strategies. In 2011, teachers were trained in DIBELS Next and began using this improved version to measure student progress in literacy.

Teachers and administrators have continued to hold data meetings in order to collaboratively make decisions about student intervention groupings based on testing and other forms of data. The data used to formulate intervention groups and to make intervention placement decisions for students not only includes DIBELS Next scores but also information derived from Scott Foresman's fresh reads, weekly selection tests, and monthly benchmark assessments; as well as MCAS tests, Star Reader, anecdotal evidence, etc.

Additionally, the staff continues to receive ongoing training in RtI and literacy from the Hanson Initiative for Language and Literacy (HILL). The HILL has provided training in DIBELS Next, writing rubrics and benchmarks, and Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling (LETRS) training. LETRS training in particular is specifically designed to bring deeper insight and knowledge to reading instruction. It provides answers that instructional materials cannot and teaches our educators to reach students who might otherwise fail through explicit, scientifically-based teaching methods. Lastly, the master schedule, formulated in 2010 to help facilitate RtI, was altered to better ensure that students received a sufficient amount of instruction in all subject areas. Grade 3 and kindergarten were the grades most affected by the change. The half-day kindergarten students were integrated with the full-day kindergarten, allowing for more instructional time for half-day kindergarten students, lower class sizes in most kindergarten classes, and common planning time for all kindergarten teachers. More instructional time was added to grade 3 classes in English/language arts and mathematics. The schedule change allowed for the literacy blocks to be grouped together at this grade level, allowing teachers greater flexibility when planning lessons.

In 2011, AES began its three year implementation of PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports). PBIS is a framework for assisting school personnel in adopting and organizing evidence-based behavioral interventions into an integrated continuum of universal practices and common language that enhances academic and social behavior outcomes for all students. PBIS is a prevention-oriented approach that supports the success of all students. A core committee comprised of community and school stakeholders was formulated in order to plan the activities that will influence the school culture. This initiative is being guided by the South Coast Educational Collaborative.

AES continued to purchase technology through monies made available from federal grants. Ceiling mounted projectors and Promethean interactive whiteboards were added to all second and third grade classrooms.

Lastly, two new staff members were hired to fill vacancies at the Acushnet Elementary School in 2011. Katherine Barnes was hired as a speech pathologist and Jennifer Deslauriers was hired as a 4th grade special education teacher.

Special Education:

The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) conducted a Mid-Cycle Review of the special education department in March 2010, reviewing twelve special education criteria. All twelve criteria have been found to be fully implemented, including one requiring the involvement of the Parent Advisory Council more in the planning, development, and evaluation of the school district's special education programs.

The special education director applied for extraordinary relief for Circuit Breaker for FY11, but the district's expenses for out-of-district students did not qualify for this extra reimbursement. The director applied for and the district is expected to receive \$255,582 in Circuit Breaker reimbursement for FY11 expenses.

Acushnet continues to be a member of the Southeastern Massachusetts Educational Collaborative (SMEC). Educational collaboratives exist in order to provide specialized instruction and support to students who need a substantially separate setting that can't otherwise be provided through in-district programs. Frank Kuthan continues to be the school committee representative to SMEC, while the special education director continues to serve as a member of the SMEC Steering Committee, a group that discusses and proposes programs that would be beneficial to the collaborative member districts. Through SMEC, the district continues to employ a part-time school psychologist. The district is also contracting several other related service providers through the collaborative.

In March, the school committee voted to inquire about becoming a member of the Regional Educational Assessment and Diagnostic Services (READS) Collaborative. Obtaining membership in a second collaborative would prove to be advantageous for the district because READS charges a higher tuition rate to non-members, while members have a greater influence on the type of programming offered. The only thing required of Acushnet as a member of the READS Collaborative would be the purchase of a certain number of evaluations from READS each year ahead of time (with the number of evaluations determined by Acushnet) and for the superintendent to attend board meetings on behalf of the school committee. If all goes well, then Acushnet will become a member of the READS Collaborative for the start of the 2012-2013 school year.

The district's four substantially separate classrooms continue to meet the needs of students with special needs within our district and to provide alternatives to sending students to costly out of district special education placements.

The Acushnet-Fairhaven Special Education Parent Advisory Council met four times during 2011 to review special education regulations and discuss areas of interest and

concern to the parents. Topics of meetings were: 1) a presentation and discussion about bullying and its impact on students with autism and related disorders by Danielle Coffin, Acushnet Special Education Director and Lisa Roy, Acushnet Speech and Language Pathologist; 2) a presentation on occupational therapy and how it addresses the motor, visual, and sensory needs of children by Susan Hemingway, Occupational Therapist; 3) a presentation on behavior management by Matthew Goodman, Psy.D., addressing how to help children grow up to be responsible and caring people ; and 4) a presentation on learning differences and study strategies by a representative from Landmark School.

The director and special education staff have participated in conferences and workshops in areas such as multisensory reading instruction, social skills, behavior management, administration and various other topics to improve practice.

On June 30, 2011 Danielle Coffin retired as Director of Special Education. Nance Bellizzi became Director of Special Education on July 1, 2011.

Budget and Grants:

In May, town meeting appropriated \$12,259,254 for the school department for its FY 2012 budget. This budget was a \$44,490 decrease from the prior fiscal year and \$35,365 less than what was appropriated four years prior for FY 2008.

The Education Jobs Grant (Ed Jobs) is a one-time appropriation from the federal government designed to save or create education jobs. The monies for this grant could be used in FY11, FY12, or the first quarter of FY13. In FY11, \$69,714 was used from the Ed Jobs grant, while \$301,522 is currently slated for use in FY12. For FY12, this grant will support the hiring of a new science specialist and an 8th grade mathematics teacher. In addition, the Ed Jobs grant will fill the void of \$85,000 that was cut from the school committee's original requested budget. In addition, these monies will be used to pay a portion or all of the salaries of five other teachers, which will ultimately free up money in the regular budget to pay for new mathematics textbooks in all grades and to pay for a portion of the cost needed to pay the consulting firm that is helping the district with its literacy initiative.

The district applied for and is slated to receive NCLB entitlement grants from the federal government totaling \$126,750 in FY12. This is a decrease of \$25,572 from the previous fiscal year's final allocation. These entitlement grants consist of Titles I and II-A. Like the Title IID grant in FY11, the Title IV grant was no longer funded in FY12. Title I monies make up the largest portion of the NCLB entitlement grants and mostly pay for two Title I teachers that help to provide reading skill development to low achieving students at the elementary school. Title II-A (Teacher Quality) funds are used to help support professional development for teachers and paraprofessionals and the district's mentoring program.

The special education director applied for and received several grants for FY12. The Special Education Entitlement Grant- 240 supplemented the district's special education program by \$254,391, which is an increase of \$3,864 from the previous fiscal year. The Department of Early Education and Care's Early Childhood Special Education Grant- 262 once again totaled \$6,572. This grant helps to supplement the Acushnet Elementary

School's preschool program. The Special Education Program Improvement Grant- 274 was once again issued after last being funded in FY09. The total allocation of this grant for FY12 is equal to \$11,930. Monies from the 274 grant are slated to be used for Wilson language training and professional development in the areas of positive behavior supports, instructional strategies, and social skills.

Monies from the one-time American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) 760 and 762 grants, which ended on June 30, 2011, allowed for the purchase of instructional technology, textbooks and materials, and assessment materials for students as well as professional development for staff.

The district applied for one competitive grant from the state; the Quality Full-Day Kindergarten Grant. This grant helps to support the full-day kindergarten program by offsetting salary and supply costs. The \$45,008 allocation was a slight decrease from the previous fiscal year.

Lastly, Massachusetts was one of the winning states in the national Race to the Top competition, funded by the U.S. Department of Education to promote reform in four areas: standards and assessments, great teachers and leaders, school turnaround and data systems. This is year two of the grant, which lasts through FY14. The projects that Acushnet will participate in over the four year period of the grant include: implementing a statewide evaluation framework; aligning curriculum to the Common Core State Standards; strengthening climate, conditions, and school culture; participating in National Institute for School Leadership (NISL) training for principals; creating near-real-time access to data in Education Data Warehouse by implementing the Schools Interoperability Framework (SIF); and implementing one or more components of the statewide teaching and learning system.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen R. Donovan
Superintendent of Schools

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NOTES

ACUSHNET AT A GLANCE

Incorporated: February 13, 1860

Type of Government: Open Town Meeting

Population: 10,293

10,129 (State Census)

Total Valuation:

Class 1 and 2 Tax Rate: \$11.28 \$ per \$1,000 (Fiscal Year 2011)

Class 3 and 4 Tax Rate: \$13.77 per \$1,000 (Fiscal Year 2011)

Registered Voters: 7,545

Total Area: 18 Square Miles

Churches: 6

Public Schools: 2

Parochial Schools: 1

Regional School: 1

Principal Industries:

road surface materials, farming, apple,
peach orchards, box factory, sawmill, landscape nurseries

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Annual Election of Officers: 1st Monday in April

Annual Town Meeting: 4th Monday in April